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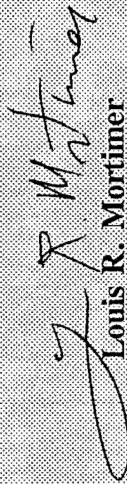
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CHINA AND TAIWAN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SELECTED MIDDLE EAST/WEST ASIAN COUNTRIES

Region/Country	Relations with PRC/Date	Relations with Taiwan	Relations with Neither
Africa-Horn:			
Djibouti	X 8 Jan 79		
Ethiopia	X 24 Nov 70		
Kenya	X 14 Dec 63		
Somalia	X 16 Dec 60		
Sudan	X 1 Dec 58		
Africa-North:			
Algeria	X Jul 62		
Egypt	X 16 May 56		
Libya	X 9 Aug 78		
Morocco	X 1 Nov 58		
Tunisia	X Oct 71		
Arabian Peninsula:			
Bahrain			X
Kuwait	X 21 Mar 71		
Oman	X 25 May 78		
PDRY	X 31 Jan 68		
Qatar			X
Saudi Arabia		X	
UAE	X 1 Nov 84		
YAR	X 24 Sep 56		
Levant:			
Israel			X
Jordan	X 14 Apr 77		
Lebanon	X 9 Nov 71		
PLO (quasi-diplomatic status)	X May 64		

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CHINA AND TAIWAN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SELECTED MIDDLE EAST/WEST ASIAN COUNTRIES

Region/Country	Relations with PRC/Date	Relations with Taiwan	Relations with Neither
Levant (continued):			
Syria	X 10 Aug 56		
Selected South Asian Countries:			
Bangladesh	X 4 Oct 75		
India	X 1 Apr 50		
Sri Lanka	X 7 Feb 57		
Southwest Asia:			
Afghanistan	X 20 Jan 55		
Iran	X 16 Aug 71		
Iraq	X 25 Aug 58		
Pakistan	X 21 May 51		
Turkey	X 5 Aug 71		

OVERVIEW

China

China's independent foreign policy line, proclaimed in 1981-82, places a renewed emphasis on China's ties with the Third World. The Middle East/West Asia region is important to China both strategically and as a part of its foreign policy toward the Third World. Because all the countries in the Middle East/West Asia region, whether poverty-stricken Ethiopia or oil-rich Kuwait, belong to the Third World, Beijing's relations with the region exemplify trends in its Third World policy. With the exception of India, China does not perceive either a direct threat or a rivalry from the countries of the region, but rather is concerned that a conflict there could escalate to involve the superpowers. Beijing also fears that Soviet expansion in the region would aid Moscow's long-term plans to encircle China and achieve global dominance. Other aspects of China's foreign policy which are evident in recent Chinese relations with the Middle East and West Asia include:

- o Chinese criticism of both United States and Soviet policies;
- o Chinese willingness to pursue relations with governments and parties regardless of their social systems or ideology;
- o the promotion of stability and world peace in order to achieve economic modernization;
- o an emphasis on "mutual benefit" in economic and trade relations, whereby joint ventures and business contracts take precedence over grants and aid;
- o the continued use of cultural ties to promote goodwill and solidarity, with a new emphasis on economic ties between Chinese Muslims and Islamic countries; and
- o an expanded Chinese role in the international arms trade.

During 1985, delegations exchanged between China and the Middle East/West Asia region were predominantly economic in nature, comprising over 40 percent of the total visits (see chronology and statistical summary). Although Beijing still offers traditional forms of aid such as disaster relief and medical teams to poorer countries, including Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan, and Bangladesh, recent Chinese economic ties with the region more commonly are based on trade, business contracts, and joint ventures. At the beginning of 1985, Chinese Vice Minister of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Lu Xuejian extolled the advantages of Third World cooperation (also known as South-South cooperation), where countries involved supply each other with resources and technology the other lacks. He cited a three-way Chinese-Kuwaiti-Tunisian joint venture initialed in early January 1985 as an example: "China has synthetic ammonia and sulphuric acid, Kuwait has

funds, and Tunisia abounds in phosphate; therefore, a phosphate fertilizer plant.¹ China also has been successful in "exporting" Chinese engineers and technicians to work in the Third World. The Middle East ranks first in the geographic regions for which China provides contract labor, with North Africa second.² Chinese construction and labor companies appear to be gaining on their competitors, even the formerly predominant South Koreans.³

In its military relations with the Middle East/West Asia region in 1985, China continued the trend of recent years as it reportedly became the world's fifth largest arms merchant, after the Soviet Union, the United States, France, and Britain.⁴ At the same time, Chinese secrecy about its clients, along with unconfirmed reports (strongly denied by Beijing) of Chinese military dealings with Israel, Iran, Iraq, and Afghan resistance fighters, created an ambiguous impression of Chinese military involvement in the region. In addition, the question of possible Chinese nuclear cooperation with Pakistan and Iran, also vehemently denied by China, continued to be controversial. The most remarkable new development in China's military relations with the Middle East/West Asia region in 1985 was the two-ship Chinese naval visit to Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh in December; it was the first such visit to any foreign country since 1949.

Another change in China's relations with the Middle East/West Asia region in 1985 was that Beijing appeared to take a slightly more active role in the region's political affairs. In April 1985, China received an Arab League delegation to discuss the Iran-Iraq War and in May, a joint Jordanian-Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) delegation to confer on the Palestinian issue. The 1985 trend toward more explicit involvement in the region culminated in Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian's December tour of Iraq, Syria, Jordan, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and Bangladesh. During the trip, Wu discussed the Gulf War and the Middle East issue with the leaders of each country and promised China's support in the United Nations Security Council for a UN-sponsored conference on the Middle East. Beijing's slight increase in political activity in the Middle East and West Asia is unlikely, however, to alter its basically low profile in the region. China will continue to urge Arab unity as the best hope for solving regional problems without outside interference.

AFRICA-HORN

Following the general trend for Chinese exchanges with the Middle East/West Asia region, the majority of interactions between China and the Horn of Africa in 1985 were economic in nature--relief donations to Ethiopia, Somalia, and Sudan, cooperative construction projects in Kenya and Somalia, and a high-level economic delegation and loan agreement with Kenya. The only reported exchange between China and Djibouti during the year was a visit in March by the Chinese Minister of Urban and Rural Construction Rui Xingwen. Chinese relations with Ethiopia continued to improve as they have since 1983, as part of China's policy of furthering ties with other nations regardless of social or ideological differences. In March, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) made its first official contact with the Workers Party of Ethiopia. In July, Chinese State Councillor Chen Muhua attended the World Conference on the United Nations Decade for Women held

in Kenya and in December, a CCP friendship delegation went to Mogadishu to take part in celebrations of the 25th anniversary of Sino-Somali relations. No military delegations were reported between China and any country in the Horn of Africa in 1985.

The number of delegations exchanged between China and Sudan decreased in 1985 in comparison with previous years, probably due to internal changes in Sudan following the April coup d'etat there. Although the Secretary General of the disbanded Sudanese Socialist Union Party, Muhammad 'Abd al-Gadir 'Umar, happened to be visiting China in early April immediately before the coup, China was quick to congratulate the new leadership on assuming power. Moreover, Chinese commentary on the coup was favorable,⁵ indicating that relations between the two countries were not significantly strained. In addition, a Sudanese military delegation was expected to visit China in early 1986.

AFRICA-NORTH

Chinese exchanges with North Africa in 1985 were primarily economic, comprising half the total number of delegations. A prime demonstration of Chinese economic interest in the region was Vice Premier Tian Jiyun's October-November trip to Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco, and Libya (every country in the region except Egypt) to further economic and technical cooperation. During the trip, Tian signed two agreements on economic and technical cooperation with Algeria, minutes of talks on cooperation and agreements to expand trade with Tunisia, a trade agreement with Morocco, and a summary of talks on cooperation in trade, health, and construction with Libya. An indication of China's cordial ties with Tunisia was Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba's decorating Chinese Vice Premier Tian with a medal of honor during his visit.

In addition to the agreements signed during Tian Jiyun's tour, a sister-city agreement was signed between Kunming and Rabat in Morocco in May, a medical team protocol with Tunisia in July, the first Sino-Libyan cultural cooperation agreement in August, and the first Sino-Algerian radio and television cooperation agreement in December. Chinese relations with North Africa basically remained the same, although relations with Morocco improved slightly through the resumption of party ties between the CCP and the Progress Party of Morocco in August, after 20 years' interruption.

In 1985 Egypt remained China's closest friend in North Africa. Numerous economic exchanges included the third meeting of the Sino-Egyptian electric-power cooperation committee, a media cooperation agreement, and banking and technical cooperation documents, all concluded in April, and a long-term trade agreement and protocol signed in August. Egypt also experienced the largest number of cultural exchanges between China and North Africa in 1985. For many years, China has made use of cultural ties with Chinese Muslims to further relations with the Middle East/West Asia region, but now at times with an added twist: China specifically promotes economic agreements between Islamic countries and Chinese Muslims. An example is the September agreement whereby Chinese Muslims will work on an Egyptian land-reclamation project. Chinese Minister of

Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian made Egypt the only North African stop on his Middle Eastern tour in December, demonstrating the importance China attaches to political ties with Egypt.

Sino-Egyptian military ties continued to develop in 1985, with Cairo's order of 100 F-6 fighter planes from China reported in June. In addition, a Chinese JIANGHU-Class frigate was formally accepted into the Egyptian Navy in April, and Egypt continued to assemble Chinese XI'AN F-7 planes under a previously arranged licensing agreement.⁶ An interesting military interaction in 1985 which received very little publicity was Egypt's purported cancellation of an arms deal with China after discovering that some of the items contained Israeli-made components. A report of the cancellation of a \$500-million purchase of Chinese tanks, personnel carriers, and communications equipment appeared in October without specifying which items had Israeli-made parts.⁷ It seems likely that the items which Egypt found objectionable may have been Israeli-designed cannons, gun turrets, or sighting and fire control equipment, all of which were previously reported to be found on Chinese tanks.⁸

ARABIAN PENINSULA

China's relations with the Arabian Peninsula are primarily economic and cultural, and include limited ties with nations with which Beijing lacks diplomatic relations: Bahrain, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia. During his December 1985 visit to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian expressed China's eagerness to establish relations with the three aforementioned nations, but said "we can wait if these countries still have difficulties in setting up diplomatic ties with China."⁹ In 1985 a sports team from Qatar visited China, but no exchanges were reported between China and Bahrain. Economic and cultural relations between China and Saudi Arabia, however, expanded noticeably. Over 2,100 Chinese Muslims made the pilgrimage to Mecca in July, the largest group to date, and there were reports that Saudi Arabia was financing the construction of a mosque in Beijing. In addition, Saudi trade delegations visited the Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region twice in 1985 to discuss economic cooperation, another example of Beijing's effort to promote economic ties between Muslim areas of China and Islamic countries. In November, Chinese Vice Premier Yao Yilin met separately with an unnamed Qatari leader and Saudi Deputy Prime Minister and Crown Prince 'Abdallah bin 'Abd al-'Aziz Al Sa'ud while visiting Oman. A Chinese broadcast called the Yao-Sa'ud meeting "a new page in the annals of relationship between China and Saudi Arabia."¹⁰ Although China appears hopeful about the prospects for Sino-Saudi diplomatic relations,¹¹ it is uncertain whether Riyadh is willing to abandon its close relationship with Taipei in favor of formal diplomatic relations with Beijing.

Of all the Arabian Peninsula states, China's relations with Kuwait are the friendliest. Twice as many delegations were exchanged in 1985 between China and Kuwait than with any other country in the region. Important exchanges included a January visit to China by the Kuwaiti Minister of Oil and Finance 'Ali al-Khalifa al-Athbi Al Sabah, State Councillor Zhang Jingfu's and Minister of Petroleum Industry Teng Ke's separate visits to Kuwait in March, a high-level Kuwaiti banking delegation to China in October, and Vice Premier Yao Yilin's trip to Kuwait in November. In addition to agreements on media cooperation, joint

ventures, and loans, during Yao's visit the two countries signed an agreement guaranteeing mutual investments. Also, regular air service was inaugurated between China and Kuwait in July and regular full-service container cargo shipping began in November.

Vice Premier Yao Yilin visited Oman and the United Arab Emirates as well as Kuwait in November 1985, attending National Day celebrations in Oman and signing China's first economic, technical, and trade agreement with the UAE. While Chinese exchanges with Oman decreased slightly from previous years, relations with the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen (PDY) and the Yemen Arab Republic (YAR) remained fairly constant. Beijing appeared to pay particular attention to the UAE, with which diplomatic relations were established only in late 1984. In 1985, Chinese Minister of Urban and Rural Construction Rui Xingwen, Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian, and Vice Premier Yao Yilin made official visits to Abu Dhabi. Premier Zhao Ziyang's June stopover visit to the UAE was the highest-level visit between China and any country on the Arabian Peninsula in 1985.

LEVANT

China continues to express concern about the war-torn Levant region in an abundance of statements on the Arab-Israeli conflict. Because of the strife in the region and the fact that China has no diplomatic relations with Israel, fewer exchanges were reported between China and the region than any other part of the Middle East or West Asia. The key points of China's official policy toward the Levant region are:

- o opposition to Israel's "aggression and expansion" supported by the United States;
- o insistence that Israel withdraw from the Arab territories it has occupied since 1967;
- o support for Palestinian rights and Palestinian solidarity under the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO);
- o advocacy of Arab unity behind the Palestinian cause in order to achieve peace in the Middle East; and
- o belief that all countries in the region, including the PLO, have the right to exist.

China welcomed Chairman of the PLO Executive Committee Yasir Arafat to Beijing in May as part of a Jordanian-PLO delegation. Arafat called China a "true friend" and later claimed it was "inconceivable" that the Middle East issue could be solved without Soviet and Chinese participation.¹²

There were no delegations exchanged in 1985 with Lebanon. China maintains a diplomatic presence in Lebanon, however, and the new Chinese Ambassador, after his arrival in Beirut in August, reaffirmed Beijing's

support for the Lebanese Government and people in their struggle against "Israeli aggression."¹³ The only Chinese exchange with Syria in 1985 was the first visit by a Chinese foreign minister to Damascus in 20 years--Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian's December visit. It is unusual that the only exchange with a country during the year would be by such a high-level official, perhaps an indication of China's increased interest in becoming more actively involved in the resolution of the Middle East conflict in 1985.

Wu Xueqian also held discussions on the Arab-Israeli conflict during his visit to Jordan. In 1985 China's relations with Jordan continued to improve, with Deputy Prime Minister of Education 'Abd al-Wahhab al-Magali's joint visit to China with the PLO in May, the first meeting of the Sino-Jordanian Joint Committee on Economic, Trade, and Technical Cooperation, and Jordanian Chief of Staff Lieutenant General Abu Talib's visit to China, both in November. China also is expanding economic cooperation with Jordan through such projects as sending around 2,500 construction workers to Jordan and jointly building hotels in South China.¹⁴

China's policy toward Israel is the most controversial aspect of Beijing's relations with the Levant region. Beijing and Tel Aviv have no diplomatic relations and as recently as December 1985, China declared it would not establish such relations "so long as Israel continued its policy of aggression and expansion."¹⁵ During his December visit to Egypt, Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian clarified China's position on Israel, drawing a distinction between the Israeli authorities and the Israeli people. He said that personal and academic contacts at international conferences were permissible, and that Israelis would be allowed to attend such events in China.¹⁶

There have been increasingly frequent and more credible reports of much more substantive Sino-Israeli dealings, however, since the early 1980s. In 1985, more than 60 Israeli companies were said to be involved in Chinese agricultural and construction projects, and Israeli experts may have entered China on Israeli passports for the first time.¹⁷ The crux of the controversy lies in reports of extensive arms deals between China and Israel, which Beijing consistently refutes as "entirely groundless." According to a January 1985 report, Israel signed military contracts with China worth over \$3 billion and Israeli advisors may have been attached to several Chinese military units to provide training on Israeli equipment.¹⁸ Although China claims these purported arms deals are only malicious rumors aimed at undermining Chinese-Arab relations, at least two considerations offer a plausible rationale for Chinese interest in Israeli military equipment and experience: certain export controls on weapons sales could be circumvented by clandestine sales, especially through third parties, and the People's Liberation Army (PLA) could benefit tremendously from Israeli first-hand combat knowledge of Soviet-made weapons.¹⁹ Perhaps confirmation of Sino-Israeli military cooperation will come to light only in a piecemeal fashion, the way the apparently Israeli-designed gun barrel spotted on a Chinese tank in the October 1984 National Day parade lent credibility to reports of such contacts.

SELECTED SOUTH ASIAN COUNTRIES

In 1985 China maintained cordial ties with Bangladesh and Sri Lanka and made government, economic, cultural, and military exchanges. China provided Bangladesh with relief aid following the natural disasters of the summer, Bangladeshi President Hussain Mohamed Ershad visited China in July, and in December, Beijing and Dacca signed the largest barter protocol ever signed by Bangladesh and a foreign country. Two other path-breaking exchanges in December were Wu Xueqian's official visit, the first by a Chinese Foreign Minister to Bangladesh, and a Chinese port call at Chittagong, part of the first Chinese naval ship visit abroad since 1949. According to "informed sources" cited in a press report, China provided Bangladesh with an unspecified naval vessel and modified MiG-19 fighter planes, as well as spare parts and light arms in 1985.²⁰ Significant Chinese exchanges with Sri Lanka in 1985 included the January visit of State Councillor and Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian, Sri Lankan Minister of Culture Edwin Lok Bandara Hurulle's March visit to China to sign a cultural cooperation agreement, a high-level Sri Lankan military delegation to China in July, and a United National Party delegation to Beijing in September to discuss party-to-party ties. In addition, the first session of the Sino-Sri Lankan Committee for Economic and Trade Cooperation met in Colombo in November, and two Chinese Navy ships visited Sri Lanka (as well as Pakistan and Bangladesh) on their first overseas tour in December.

In 1985, China and India continued gradually to ease their strained relations. India followed the pattern of previous years of holding more cultural and friendship exchanges with China than with any other country in the Middle East or West Asia, an indication of efforts on both sides to foster understanding and goodwill. Cultural delegations included a visit to Beijing by Nobel Peace Prize winner Mother Teresa in January, and, in March, the first Chinese Christian delegation to India since 1949. Sino-Indian trade increased, with agreements signed in March and November, and border trade resumed with Xizang in April for the first time since 1962. In December, CCP Central Committee member and newly appointed Renmin Ribao (Beijing) Director Qian Liren led a CCP delegation to India to attend the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Indian National Congress (I) Party and to discuss establishing party ties. In July, the Chinese Foreign Ministry denied Indian press reports that China was cooperating militarily with Pakistan to capture the disputed Saichin glacier area.²¹

The sixth round of Sino-Indian border talks was held in New Delhi in November in a "cordial and frank atmosphere."²² Although no breakthrough was announced on the difficult border issue itself, the negotiations were called "useful," an agreement was reached on property for the Indian Embassy in Beijing, and scientific, technical, and cultural exchanges were discussed. The talks were followed by informal meetings at a beach resort in Goa, indicating a degree of improvement. Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi met with Chinese President Li Xiannian at the United Nations in October. In November, Gandhi caused a minor stir with a statement in Parliament that India would not agree to ignore the border issue in order to develop trade with China. Both the Foreign Ministry and Gandhi later issued clarifications to the effect that programs on the border issue should occur at the same time as improvement in Sino-Indian economic and cultural relations.²³

Because animosity among South Asian nations and Pakistan only complicates China's attempts to develop friendly relations with all countries of the region, Beijing enthusiastically welcomed the formation of the South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation (SAARC) in December. Renmin Ribao (Beijing) called it "an important event of historical significance not only for South Asian countries, but also for Asia and the Third World as a whole."²⁴

SOUTHWEST ASIA

China considers the Southwest Asian region, from Turkey to Pakistan, crucial to Moscow's southward expansionist strategy, which could contribute to the eventual encirclement of China. Because of this, Beijing's ties with countries in this region are heavily influenced by military and strategic considerations. West Asia apparently emerged as the top recipient of Chinese arms in the last few years, at the same time as China's role as an arms exporter has shown phenomenal growth.²⁵ China is reported to have military dealings with every nation in the region, although there were no reports of military exchanges with Iraq in 1985, and China vehemently denies that it supplies arms to Iran, Iraq, and Afghan resistance fighters. In March, a report appeared that China had concluded an arms deal with Iran worth \$1.6 billion that included SHENYANG F-6 fighter planes and T-59 tanks. Beijing and Tehran both denied the report, which appeared in a fairly questionable source, the pro-Iraqi newsletter al-Taqrir (London). In October, China refuted another report that it had sold Iran SCUD-1A and 1-B surface-to-surface missiles.²⁷ Despite reports that Beijing supplies arms to both Iran and Iraq, China officially maintains a position of strict neutrality in the Gulf War. No arms sales were reported between China and Turkey, but in October, PLA Chief of the General Staff Yang Dezhi led the highest-ranking military delegation exchanged with Turkey in recent years. In addition to allegations of clandestine military sales in the region, the most controversial aspect of Chinese relations with Southwest Asia is the possibility of a nuclear relationship between China and Iran. Beijing vociferously denied all such reports, many of which appeared in conjunction with the debate in the United States throughout the year on the US-China agreement on peaceful nuclear-energy cooperation.

Exchanges with Iran featured State Councillor Zhang Jingfu's February visit to Tehran to promote economic relations and the first visit of a high-level Iranian leader to China since the Iranian Revolution, Speaker of Parliament 'Ali Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani's June visit to China. Presumably because of the Iran-Iraq War, for the first time, a Chinese ship en route to Iraq was detained at an Iranian port for several days in September and then released.

China continued to develop cordial ties with Iraq and Turkey. In addition to extensive economic cooperation with Iraq, including hydroelectric projects, oil wells, and dams, Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Tariq Mikhayl 'Aziz visited China in April, and, in December, Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs Wu Xueqian visited Iraq and the third session of the Joint Sino-Iraqi Committee for Trade, Economic, and Technical Cooperation met in Baghdad. The third meeting of the Sino-Turkish Joint Economic and Trade Committee was held in March, when the two sides agreed to increase trade to \$100 million in 1985. High-level

Chinese exchanges with Turkey in 1985 included Prime Minister Turgut Ozal's visit to China in June, the first visit to China by a Turkish Prime Minister since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1971; Speaker of the Turkish Grand National Assembly Necmettin Karaduman's and Deputy Prime Minister Kaya Erdem's separate visits to China; and PLA Chief of the General Staff Yang Dezhi's visit to Turkey, all in October.

Beijing continued to condemn the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and concluded that in 1985, the Afghan resistance forces gained new momentum. China donated aid to Afghan refugees in Pakistan and had only one reported interaction with the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan Government--the October return to the Chinese Embassy in Kabul of four Chinese nationals who were supposedly taken hostage by Afghan "counterrevolutionaries" while in Pakistan near the Afghan border.

China continues to foster its relationship with its closest friend in the Middle East/West Asian region, Pakistan. The foundation of Sino-Pakistani relations is military and political cooperation against the common regional threats of India and the Soviet Union. Close ties between China and Pakistan complicate Soviet actions in the region because Moscow cannot be sure to what degree China would support Pakistan in the event of a Soviet-Pakistani conflict. The strategic basis of Sino-Pakistani ties is changing slightly, however, as Sino-Soviet, Sino-Indian, and even Indo-Pakistani ties are all undergoing various degrees of limited improvement. In addition, the renewal of Western arms sales to Pakistan after the invasion of Afghanistan has made Islamabad less dependent on Chinese weapons and, as a result, Islamabad may be discontinuing new purchases of Chinese arms.²⁸ Sino-Pakistani relations are unlikely to change dramatically, however, since, as one observer put it, "both countries are genuinely grateful to each other for debts owed and realize that they have a relationship which should continue for whenever it can be mutually useful again."²⁹ Evidence that this basic stability continued in 1985 includes the June visit to Pakistan by Chinese Defense Minister Zhang Aiping, the fact that Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo made China the first foreign country he visited after assuming office, and similarly, that Pakistan was the first port call on the first Chinese naval ship visit abroad since 1949.

In addition to the arms China has supplied Pakistan over the years, there is evidence that China gains access through Pakistan to arms technology that it cannot buy openly "for reverse engineering and adoption into Chinese defense production lines."³⁰ This arms technology may have included French Mirage, US Sidewinder air-to-air and TOW missiles, US F-16s, and US artillery technology.³¹

Taiwan

Taiwan's relations with the Middle East/West Asian region have declined since the late 1970s, corresponding with China's more active promotion of ties with all countries in the region, regardless of their social systems or ideology. Although Taiwan may have had other contacts with the region in 1985 which went unreported, the number of reported exchanges was much smaller than in previous years. Saudi Arabia remains the only nation in the entire region with which Taiwan has diplomatic ties. Surprisingly, there were only

five exchanges reported in 1985 between Taipei and Riyadh, as opposed to six between Riyadh and Beijing. Taiwan-Saudi economic cooperation continued, and, in January, an expanded program was announced including plans for the joint development of Arabic computer software, fishery cooperation, and assistance from Taiwan for Saudi traffic management. In July, immediately after Beijing's announcement that it would send over 2,100 Chinese Muslims on a pilgrimage to Mecca, a Taiwan Government official warned that these

so-called pilgrimage missions that the Chinese Communists have been dispatching to Saudi Arabia are actually Red cadres, engaging in religious united front tactics. The move . . . is an attempt to confuse the Saudi leadership and politicians by pretending that the Chinese Communists are not against Islam.³²

Taiwan is undoubtedly concerned about the possible loss of diplomatic relations with one of the few powers of any consequence which continue to recognize Taipei, and views with displeasure the increased contacts between China and Saudi Arabia.

Two trade delegations from the UAE visited Taiwan in early 1985, and an Egyptian trade delegation went to Taipei in November. The only governmental exchange between Taiwan and the region was a visit to Taiwan in December by a Bahraini Ministry of Foreign Affairs official. Police delegations from Saudi Arabia and Bahrain visited Taipei in January and June, respectively. Taiwan's only controversial contact with the region in 1985 was a case of alleged espionage by an Indian national, Rama Swaroop, who was charged in October with spying for the Federal Republic of Germany, Israel, and Taiwan. Swaroop was employed by Far East Trade Services, a Taiwan trade-promotion office in New Delhi, but Taiwan denied any involvement in the case.³³

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CHRONOLOGY OF EXCHANGES: BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND CATEGORY

The following chronology, dealing with delegations exchanged between China and Taiwan and the Middle East/West Asia region during the period 1 January through 31 December 1985, is organized into six geographic areas:

- oAfrica-Horn
- oAfrica-North
- oArabian Peninsula
- oLevant
- oSelected South Asian Countries
- oSouthwest Asia

Although most of the chronological entries are of formal delegations exchanged by China and Taiwan with various countries in the Middle East/West Asia region, other selected contacts have also been noted when considered significant. Delegations and interchanges have been categorized as one or more of the following:

- ogovernment (G)
- omilitary (M)
- oeconomic (E)
- ocultural (C)
- opolitical (P)
- oother (O)

The economic category includes medical, scientific, and technical exchanges, in addition to trade and loan delegations. Friendship delegations and groups of parliamentarians, journalists, and trade union representatives come under the "other" category. Political delegations are primarily party-to-party contacts, and cultural delegations include religious, sports, and educational groups, as well as performances and art exhibitions.

The information in the chronology was derived from a variety of open sources, the primary ones being Xinhua (New China News Agency) reports taken from the Foreign Broadcast Information Service's Daily Report: China, the periodical China Aktuell, published by the Institute for Asian Studies in Hamburg, Federal Republic of Germany, and the Summary of World Broadcasts (Caversham Park, UK).

AFRICA-HORN

Djibouti
Ethiopia
Kenya
Somalia
Sudan

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REGION -----	COUNTRY -----	DATE ---	NAME/POSITION -----	CATEGORY -----	EVENT -----	NUMBER -----
Africa-Horn	Djibouti	03/01/85	Rui Xingwen, Minister of Urban and Rural Construction	E	5-day visit to Djibouti China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p. 13	1406

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Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	02/10/85	Dawit Zewdu, Chairman, Ethiopian Red Cross Society	E	Visit to China	1270
Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	03/10/85	Jiang Guanghua, Deputy Director, CCP International Liaison Department	P	Party delegation to Ethiopia for first contact with Workers Party of Ethiopia	1286
Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	03/15/85	- - -	E	FBIS/China, 15 Mar 85, p.11 China donates 5,000 tons of maize and 1,000 blankets to Ethiopia as part of emergency aid package	1323
Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	05/08/85	- - -	E	Summary of World Broadcasts, 19 Mar 85, FE/7903/A5/1 China and Ethiopia sign agreement in Addis Ababa; China will send a 15-member medical team to work in an Ethiopian hospital for 2 years	1386
Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	08/20/85	Hailu Yemanu, Member, Political Bureau, Ethiopian Workers Party Central Committee and Minister of Industry	P E	Summary of World Broadcasts, 14 May 85, FE/7950/A5/1 Delegation to China; notes exchanged on Chinese donation of an additional 10,000 tons of corn to drought-stricken Ethiopia	1438
Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	08/29/85	Eshetu Mule, Deputy Minister of Agriculture	E	FBIS/China, 23 Aug 85, p.11 Agricultural delegation to China	1453
Africa-Horn	Ethiopia	09/24/85	- - -	E	Summary of World Broadcasts, 31 Aug 85, FE/8044/A5/2 China donates 9,000 tons of corn and some agricultural implements to Ethiopia	1459
					FBIS/China, 26 Sep 85, p.11	

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Africa-Horn	Kenya	01/21/85	Wei Yongqing, Ambassador to Kenya	E	China donates 2,000 tons of maize to aid drought victims	1258
					FBIS/China, 23 Jan 85, p.12	
Africa-Horn	Kenya	04/02/85	Unidentified Kenyan acrobatic students	C	24 Kenyan young people graduate from 2-year acrobatics training course in Guangzhou	1305
					China Daily (Beijing), 2 Apr 85, p.5	
Africa-Horn	Kenya	04/22/85	Mary Gichuru, Under Secretary, Ministry of Culture and Social Services	C	2-week women's delegation visit to China	1384
					Summary of World Broadcasts, 4 May 85, FE/7942/A5/1	
Africa-Horn	Kenya	07/11/85	Chen Muhua, State Councillor	C	Attends World Conference on United Nations Decade for Women held in Nairobi; meets with Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi	1421
					FBIS/China, 19 Jul 85, p.11	
Africa-Horn	Kenya	11/13/85	Tian Jiyun, Vice Premier	E	Economic delegation to Kenya holds talks on cooperation; signs interest-free loan agreement whereby China will help finance gymnasium and swimming pool for Kenyan National Sports Complex	1489
					China Daily (New York), 13 Nov 85, p.3	

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Africa-Horn	Somalia	01/10/85	He Haoju, Vice Governor, Sichuan Province	G	Provincial friendship delegation to Somalia	1405
Africa-Horn	Somalia	02/03/85	- - -	E	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jan 85, p.27 Cornerstone-laying ceremony for agricultural building to be built by Jiangsu Corporation for International Economic and Technical Cooperation in Baidao State	1268
Africa-Horn	Somalia	04/29/85	Ahmed Ashkir Botan, Member, Central Committee, Somali Revolutionary Socialist Party and Chairman, Bureau for Central Committee Affairs	P	FBIS/China, 8 Feb 85, p.11 5-member party delegation to China FBIS/China, 3 May 85, p.11	1329
Africa-Horn	Somalia	07/16/85	- - -	E	Chinese Ambassador to Somalia Wang Shikun donates more than 3,000 tons of grain; All-China Trade Union Organization donates 100 tons of maize to its Somali counterpart Summary of World Broadcasts, 18 Jul 85, FE/8006/A4/1	1443
Africa-Horn	Somalia	08/16/85	- - -	E	China donates \$345,000 to aid development of center for domestic animals Summary of World Broadcasts, 21 Aug 85, FE/8035/A5/2	1456
Africa-Horn	Somalia	12/23/85	Lin Lin, Vice Chairman, Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries	P	11-day visit by party delegation to attend celebrations of 25th anniversary of establishment of Sino-Somali relations; agree to continue cooperation in culture and art FBIS/China, 27 Dec 85, p.12	1538

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Africa-Horn	Sudan	01/08/85	Li Menghua, Minister in Charge, State Physical Culture and Sports Commission	C	5-day visit by sports delegation to Sudan; signs program of increased sports exchanges FBIS/China, 15 Jan 85, p.12	1255
Africa-Horn	Sudan	02/18/85	- - -	E	China donates 4,000 tons of maize to Sudan for drought relief; donated 1,000 tons of wheat in September 1984 and 2,000 tons of maize in December 1984 JPRS-CPS-85-027, 18 Mar 85, p.17	1304
Africa-Horn	Sudan	04/01/85	Muhammad 'Abd al-Gadir 'Umar, Secretary General, Sudanese Socialist Union	P	Sudanese party delegation to China FBIS/China, 3 Apr 85, p.12	1308
Africa-Horn	Sudan	05/05/85	- - -	E	Chinese Ambassador to Sudan announces China will donate \$15,000 tons of maize to Sudan as drought relief Summary of World Broadcasts, 13 May 85, FE/7949/A4/3	1385
Africa-Horn	Sudan	11/18/85	Zhao Songgiao, Professor of Physical Geography, Desert Research Institute of Geography of the Chinese Academy of Sciences	E	Three Chinese experts attend seminar on desertification in Khartoum Summary of World Broadcasts, 26 Nov 85, FE/8118/A4/1	1529

AFRICA-NORTH

Algeria
Egypt
Libya
Morocco
Tunisia

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Africa-North	Algeria	03/16/85	Zhang Jingfu, State Councillor	E G	Government economic delegation to attend first meeting of Sino-Algerian Commission	1285
Africa-North	Algeria	05/06/85	Unidentified Algerian nuclear energy students	E	FBIS/China, 20 Mar 85, p.11 Attend 26-day international workshop in Beijing on nuclear analytical techniques jointly sponsored by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Chinese Government; first of its kind to be held in China	1338
Africa-North	Algeria	05/26/85	Mohamed Salah Mentouri, Deputy Minister of Youth and Sports	C	FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.A1 Youth delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 29 May 85, FE/7963/A4/1	1392
Africa-North	Algeria	06/04/85	Mohamed Bulzham, Algerian Council for Solidarity and Friendship	O	Attends 3-day international forum in Beijing on safeguarding world peace FBIS/China, 6 Jun 85, p.A1	1362
Africa-North	Algeria	07/02/85	Zerjuini Mohamed, Member, International Olympic Committee	C	Sports delegation to China China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jul 85, p.475	1576
Africa-North	Algeria	07/09/85	Yusuf Yalaoui, Member, Central Committee and Secretary General, National Organization for Veterans	M	Veterans' delegation to China at invitation of PLA General Political Department Summary of World Broadcasts, 12 Jul 85, FE/8001/A4/1	1399
Africa-North	Algeria	08/15/85	Unidentified head, Algerian soccer team	C	Algerian sports delegation to China China Aktuell (Hamburg), Aug 85, p.575	1575
Africa-North	Algeria	10/22/85	Tian Jiyun, Vice Premier	G E	6-day official visit to Algeria to strengthen cooperation; agreements on economic and technical cooperation signed FBIS/China, 29 Oct 85, p.11	1484
Africa-North	Algeria	11/24/85	Unidentified head, Algerian National Modern Folk Dance Ensemble	C	Dance troupe performs in Hangzhou, Wuxi, and Beijing China Daily (Beijing), 29 Nov 85, p.5	1485
Africa-North	Algeria	12/09/85	Ma Qingxiong, Vice Minister of Radio and Television	E	Delegation to Algeria signs 3-year agreement on radio and television cooperation during 1-week visit; first agreement of its kind between the two	1514

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Africa-North	Egypt	03/26/85	Unidentified head, Aswan Folk Art Troupe	C	Cultural delegation to China	1410
Africa-North	Egypt	03/30/85	Muhammad Mafir Muhammad Abaza, Minister of Electricity and Energy	E	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.14 Visits China to attend third meeting of committee for electric power cooperation; Abaza's third visit to China	1307
Africa-North	Egypt	04/11/85	Hussein Enan, President, Egyptian Radio and Television Union	O	FBIS/China, 2 Apr 85, p.12 Media delegation to China; cooperative agreement signed	1322
Africa-North	Egypt	04/20/85	Hei Boli, Governor, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region	C	FBIS/China, 17 Apr 85, p.13 1-week visit by Chinese Muslim delegation to Egypt; Egypt offers three to five religious scholarships to Chinese Muslim students to study at Egyptian universities or institutes; signs documents on banking and technical cooperation	1321
Africa-North	Egypt	05/06/85	Unidentified Egyptian nuclear energy students	E	FBIS/China, 23 Apr 85, pp.11-2; FBIS/China, 30 Apr 85, p.12 Attend 26-day international workshop in Beijing on nuclear analytical techniques jointly sponsored by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Chinese Government; first of its kind to be held in China	1339
Africa-North	Egypt	05/07/85	Muhammad al-Ahmadi Abu al-Nur, Minister of Religious Trusts and Chairman, Higher Committee for Islamic Affairs	C	FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.A1 Islamic delegation to China visits Beijing, Urumqi, Lanzhou, and Guangzhou; promises to fund 20 Chinese Muslim students to study in Egypt per year	1336
Africa-North	Egypt	06/01/85	- - -	M	FBIS/China, 13 May 85, p.15; FBIS/China, 16 May 85, p.11 Report that Egypt has ordered 100 F-6 fighter planes from China; date not given	1372
Africa-North	Egypt	06/28/85	Wang Wentong, Vice Minister of Public Security	G	Air Force Magazine (Arlington, Va), Jun 85, p.110 Delegation to Egypt	1570
Africa-North	Egypt	07/06/85	Rifat al-Mahjub, Speaker, Egyptian People's Assembly	O	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jul 85, p.474 8-day parliamentary delegation visit to China; delivers letter from President Mubarak to Premier Zhao Ziyang; discusses Middle East peace process and	1398

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					Summary of World Broadcasts, 10 Jul 85, FE/7999/A4/1; FBIS/China, 9 Jul 85, pp.11-2	
Africa-North	Egypt	07/30/85	Sami Dasuqir, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Al-Ahram	O	Newspaper editor visits China FBIS/China, 1 Aug 85, p.11	1427
Africa-North	Egypt	08/02/85	Muhammad Sultan Abu 'Ali, Minister of Economy and Foreign Trade	E	Trade delegation to China signs long-term trade agreement and additional protocol FBIS/China, 6 Aug 85, p.11	1428
Africa-North	Egypt	08/12/85	Unidentified Egyptian UNESCO officials	E	Officials attend first UNESCO meeting to promote scientific exchange held in Beijing FBIS/China, 13 Aug 85, p.A1	1429
Africa-North	Egypt	08/12/85	Azet M. Gedan, Chairman, Egyptian Federation of Chambers of Commerce	E	Trade delegation to China to discuss possible joint ventures FBIS/China, 16 Aug 85, p.11	1437
Africa-North	Egypt	09/26/85	Muhammad al-Ahmadi Abu al-Nur, Minister of Religious Trusts	C E	1-week visit to China; signs agreement for Chinese Muslim workers to go to Egypt to reclaim land in al-Tall al-Kabir Summary of World Broadcasts, 28 Sep 85, FE/8068/A4/1	1509
Africa-North	Egypt	10/10/85	Zhang Enshu, President, China State Construction Engineering Corporation	E	China and Egypt sign letter of intent; China will build more than 9,000 apartments near Cairo FBIS/China, 17 Oct 85, p.11	1469
Africa-North	Egypt	11/24/85	Hag Gharieb, Managing Director, Al-Dawilla Import-Export Company	E	1-week visit to Taiwan by 6-person business delegation to purchase truck parts China Post (Taipei), 4 Dec 85, p.3	1526
Africa-North	Egypt	11/27/85	Ma Qingxiong, Vice Minister of Radio and Television	O	9-day visit to Egypt by 7-member media delegation to discuss radio and television cooperation during celebrations of the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations scheduled for 1986 Summary of World Broadcasts, 13 Dec 85, FE/8133/A4/2	1541

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Africa-North	Egypt	12/18/85	Wu Xueqian, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G M	4-day friendly visit to Egypt; Wu's first visit to Egypt as foreign minister; meets with Egyptian Minister of Defense and War Production Field Marshal Muhammad 'Abd al-Halim Abu Ghazala and other officials	1515
					FBIS/China, 19 Dec 85, pp.12-4; FBIS/China, 23 Dec 85, p.11	

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Africa-North	Libya	02/08/85	'Abd al Hamid az-Zintani, Secretary, People's Committee of People's Bureau	G	Visit to China FBIS/China, 8 Feb 85, p.11	1269
Africa-North	Libya	05/11/85	Naima Damdun, General Secretary, General Union of Libyan Women	C	First Libyan women's delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 15 May 85, FE/7951/A4/1	1387
Africa-North	Libya	08/08/85	'Ali 'Abd al-Salam al-Turayki, Secretary of Foreign Liaison	G C	3-day official visit to China; signs first cultural cooperation agreement between the two countries FBIS/China, 12 Aug 85, pp.11-3	1433
Africa-North	Libya	10/17/85	Muhammad Mahmud al-Hijazi, Secretary for Foreign Affairs of People's Committee, Libyan General People's Congress	O	Parliamentarians' visit to China FBIS/China, 18 Oct 85, pp.11-2; FBIS/Middle East-Africa, 21 Oct 85, pp.Q1-2	1475
Africa-North	Libya	11/02/85	Tian Jiyun, Vice Premier	G E	Official visit to strengthen economic and technical cooperation; signs summary of talks on cooperation in trade, health, and construction FBIS/China, 5 Nov 85, pp.11-3	1488

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Africa-North	Morocco	05/09/85	Pan Yingsheng, Provisional Mayor of Kunming	E	10-day visit to Morocco; signs agreement making Kunming and Rabat sister cities	1370
Africa-North	Morocco	05/16/85	Zhang Zhixiang, Vice President, Chinese Association for International Understanding	O	JPRS-CPS-85-057, 12 Jun 85, p.20 Friendship delegation to Morocco	1369
Africa-North	Morocco	06/30/85	Unidentified head, Chinese junior table tennis team	C	JPRS-CPS-85-057, 12 Jun 85, p.20 Sports delegation to Morocco	1578
Africa-North	Morocco	08/10/85	Ali Yata, General Secretary, Progress Party of Morocco	P	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jul 85, p.474 Delegation resumes party ties with Chinese Communist Party after 20 years' interruption	1434
Africa-North	Morocco	10/30/85	Tian Jiyun, Vice Premier	G E	FBIS/China, 12 Aug 85, p.13 4-day official visit to Morocco to strengthen cooperation; signs trade agreement	1478
Africa-North	Morocco	11/14/85	Tayeb Bencheikh, Minister of Public Health	E	FBIS/China, 31 Oct 85, p.12; FBIS/China, 5 Nov 85, p.11 Delegation to China	1530
					Summary of World Broadcasts, 26 Nov 85, FE/8118/A4/1	

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Africa-North	Tunisia	03/27/85	Lin Yinchai, Vice Minister of Chemical Industry	E	Chemical delegation to Tunisia visits phosphate mines and chemical fertilizer plants FBIS/China, 5 Apr 85, p.12	1311
Africa-North	Tunisia	04/04/85	Qian Xinzhang, President, China Red Cross Society	E	Red Cross delegation to Tunisia FBIS/China, 5 Apr 85, p.12	1310
Africa-North	Tunisia	04/05/85	Cui Yueli, Minister of Health	E	Health delegation to Tunisia FBIS/China, 9 Apr 85, p.12	1312
Africa-North	Tunisia	05/22/85	Hedi Baccouche, Member, Political Bureau and Director, Tunisian Socialist Destour Party	P	Party delegation to China; party-to-party relations established in 1979 FBIS/China, 24 May 85, pp.11-2	1346
Africa-North	Tunisia	06/08/85	Bechir Ben Slama, Minister of Culture	C	Cultural delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 12 Jun 85, FE/7975/A4/2	1397
Africa-North	Tunisia	06/29/85	Unidentified head, Chinese junior table tennis team	C	Sports delegation to Tunisia China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jul 85, p.474	1577
Africa-North	Tunisia	07/18/85	- - -	E	Protocol signed in Tunis under which China will send two medical teams to work in Tunisia--the seventh time China has sent a medical group to Tunisia since July 1983 Summary of World Broadcasts, 20 Jul 85, FE/8008/A4/1	1444
Africa-North	Tunisia	09/08/85	Mohamed Mohtar Sellami, Mufti of Tunisia	C	Religious delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 16 Sep 85, FE/8057/A4/1	1454
Africa-North	Tunisia	09/10/85	Mohamed Ali Salim, President, National College of Administration of Tunisia	C	Educational delegation to China FBIS/China, 12 Sep 85, p.11	1451
Africa-North	Tunisia	10/27/85	Tian Jiyun, Vice Premier	G E	Official visit to Tunisia; receives medal from Tunisian President Bourguiba; signs minutes on economic, technical, and trade cooperation under which Tunisia will export fertilizer to China in exchange for grain	1479

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ARABIAN PENINSULA

Bahrain
Kuwait
Oman
People's Democratic Republic of Yemen (South Yemen)
Qatar
Saudi Arabia
United Arab Emirates
Yemen Arab Republic (North Yemen)

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Arabian Pen	Bahrain	06/30/85	Ebrahim Bin Mohamed Al-Khalifa, Deputy Director-General of Public Security	M	10-day visit to Taiwan by Bahraini police delegation; visits police and security organizations; receives police medal in recognition of efforts to promote friendship between Taiwan and Bahrain	1389
Arabian Pen	Bahrain	09/25/85	Ali Ebrahim Al-Mahroos, Director of Political Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs	G	China Post (Taipei), 4 Jul 85, p.1; Asian Outlook (Taipei), Jul 85, p.38 4-day visit to Taiwan Asian Outlook (Taipei), Oct 85, p.58	1567
Arabian Pen	Bahrain	09/27/85	Fouad Kamal, Director of Clubs and Youth Affairs, General Organization for Youth and Sports	C	Delegation to Taiwan; Kamal receives cultural medal from Taiwan's Ministry of Education for contributions to Sino-Bahraini youth exchanges Asian Outlook (Taipei), Oct 85, p.58	1568
Arabian Pen	Bahrain	12/03/85	Ibrahim S.J. Al Hashemi, Dean, Gulf Polytechnic	C	8-day visit to Taiwan by educational delegation China Post (Taipei), 3 Dec 85, p.4	1527

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Arabian Pen	Kuwait	01/03/85	'Ali al-Khalifa al-Athbi Al Sabah, Minister of Oil and Minister of Finance	E	Economic delegation to China discusses joint development of natural gas and oil and possible establishment of joint development corporation; initials agreement on joint construction of chemical fertilizer plant by China, Kuwait, and Tunisia; signs loan agreement for hydroelectric power station in Fujian	1250
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	03/12/85	Zhang Jingfu, State Councillor	E G	FBIS/China, 4 Jan 85, pp.11-2; FBIS/China, 7 Jan 85, pp.11-4; FBIS/China, 8 Jan 85, p. 11 4-day visit to Kuwait by government economic delegation	1282
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	03/20/85	Tang Ke, Minister of Petroleum Industry	E	FBIS/China, 14 Mar 85, p.11 Oil delegation to Kuwait	1281
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	04/18/85	Unidentified head, Chengdu Acrobatic Team	C	FBIS/China, 20 Mar 85, p.12 Acrobats to Kuwait	1524
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	05/14/85	Qian Diqian, Vice President, All-China Journalists Association	O	China Aktuell (Hamburg), May 85, p.324 Journalists' delegation to Kuwait; meets with Kuwaiti journalists and government leaders	1345
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	07/03/85	- - -	E	FBIS/China, 16 May 85, p.11; JPRS-CPS-85-057, 12 Jun 85, p.20 Civil Aviation Administration of China inaugurates regular air link between China and Kuwait	1424
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	07/05/85	Abdul-Rahman Alfares, Assistant Under Secretary for Mosques and Hajj, Ministry of Aqwaaf and Islamic Affairs	C	FBIS/China, 10 Jul 85, p.13 Religious delegation to China	1420
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	07/06/85	Nie Buchu, Vice Mayor of Tianjin	E	Signs \$13.2-million, low-interest loan agreement from Kuwaiti Fund for Arab Economic Development to China to finance mini-vehicle plant in Tianjin	1419
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	09/15/85	Unidentified Kuwaiti news agency (KUNA) representatives	O 33	FBIS/China, 8 Jul 85, p.12 Sign first agreement on exchange of news services and bilateral cooperation	1500

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					Summary of World Broadcasts, 28 Sep 85, FE/8068/A4/2	
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	10/14/85	Mohammed Abdul Mohsin al-Kharafi, Chairman, National Bank of Kuwait	E	Kuwaiti banking delegation to China	1490
					Summary of World Broadcasts, 17 Oct 85, FE/8084/A4/1	
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	11/21/85	Yao Yilin, Vice Premier	G E	5-day official visit to Kuwait; signs agreement to guarantee investments in both countries	1501
					FBIS/China, 22 Nov 85, p.11; Ta Kung Pao Weekly Supplement (Hong Kong), 28 Nov 85, p.11	
Arabian Pen	Kuwait	12/08/85	Ismail Amat, Chairman, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region	C	3-day official visit by Chinese Muslim delegation to Kuwait; Kuwaiti Minister of Aqwaq and Islamic Affairs Khalid Ahmad al-Jasar praises religious freedom in China	1460
					FBIS/China, 10 Dec 85, pp.11-2	

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Arabian Pen	Oman	01/20/85	Li Menghua, Minister, State Physical Culture and Sports Commission	C	3-day visit by sports delegation to Oman FBIS/China, 25 Jan 85, p.I2	1256
Arabian Pen	Oman	11/16/85	Yao Yilin, Vice Premier	G	Visit to Oman to attend 15th National Day anniversary celebrations; meets with Saudi and Qatari leaders also in attendance FBIS/China, 19 Nov 85, p.I1; FBIS/China, 27 Nov 85, p.I1	1502

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Arabian Pen	PDRY	03/08/85	Rui Xingwen, Minister for Urban and Rural Construction	E	6-day economic delegation to PDRY	1413
Arabian Pen	PDRY	03/10/85	'Abd al-'Aziz al-Dali, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13 Government delegation to China FBIS/China, 13 Mar 85, pp.11-2	1280
Arabian Pen	PDRY	07/11/85	Taleb B. Shamlam, Deputy Minister of Construction	E	Economic delegation to China to discuss cooperation FBIS/China, 15 Jul 85, p.12	1422
Arabian Pen	PDRY	07/28/85	Abdul Al-Rahman al-Bassri, Vice Chairman, Democratic Yemen-China Friendship Association	O	Friendship delegation to China FBIS/China, 14 Aug 85, p.11	1439
Arabian Pen	PDRY	11/16/85	Salim Salih Muhammad, Member, Political Bureau and Secretary of Secretariat, Socialist Party of Yemen	P	4-day party delegation visit to China FBIS/China, 19 Nov 85, p.12	1503
Arabian Pen	PDRY	11/21/85	Unidentified Chinese Construction Engineering Corporation officials	E	Chinese corporation signs contract with PDRY on irrigation and soil-leveling project worth over \$12 million; fifth Chinese construction contract with PDRY since 1983	1566

Summary of World Broadcasts, 3 Dec 85,
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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
Arabian Pen	Qatar	07/23/85	Youssef, Captain, Qatari soccer team	C	Soccer team in China for Kodak Cup World Soccer Tournament; China's first hosting of a major sports event since the 26th Table Tennis World Championships in 1961	1425

FBIS/China, 24 Jul 85, p.A3

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Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	01/05/85	- - -	E	Taiwan Economics Minister Hsu Li-teh announces Taiwan and Saudi Arabia will expand economic cooperation to include: joint development of Arabic computer software; developing Saudi fresh water fishery; and improving Saudi traffic conditions by sending 25 specialists to Saudi Arabia	1266
					China Post (Taipei), 5 Jan 85, p.4	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	01/14/85	Major General Hashim Mohamed Abdul Rahman, General Director of Civil Defense	M	12-member delegation to Taiwan to receive awards; Hashim receives Order of Cloud and Banner from Taiwan's National Police Administration	1264
					China Post (Taipei), 16 Jan 85, p.1	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	03/09/85	Mahmoud A. Taiba, Governor of Electricity	E	Visit to Taipei on 10th anniversary of beginning of Taiwan's Taipower electrical mission to Saudi Arabia	1401
					Asian Outlook (Taipei), Apr 85, p.44	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	05/08/85	Hei Boli, Chairman, Ningxia Autonomous Region People's Government	C	Islamic delegation to Saudi Arabia at the invitation of the Islamic World League	1371
					JPRS-CPS-85-057, 12 Jun 85, p.20	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	07/05/85	Saudi basketball team	C	Saudi team participates in 9th annual William Jones Cup International Basketball Tournament in Taipei	1388
					China Post (Taipei), 5 Jul 85, p.1	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	07/10/85	Unidentified head, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region delegation	C	Delegation of over 2,100 Chinese Muslims for pilgrimage to Mecca is largest group in Xinjiang's history	1396
					Ta Kung Pao Weekly Supplement (Hong Kong), 18 Jul 85, p.6	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	08/11/85	Khaled Al-Maeena, Editor-in-Chief, Arab News	O	Journalist from largest English-language Saudi newspaper visits Taiwan and interviews Premier Yu Kuo-hua	1403
					Free China Journal (Taipei), 11 Aug 85, p.1; China Post (Taipei), 7 Aug 85, p.1	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	09/18/85	Unidentified business people	E	Delegation attends 10-day international meeting held in Yinchuan, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region, to encourage economic ties between Ningxia and 19 countries, including Islamic countries	1461

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Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	11/11/85	Unidentified head, Saudi trade delegation	E	3-day trade delegation visit to Ningxia; discusses cooperation in agriculture and chemical industries	1505
					FBIS/China, 19 Nov 85, p.12	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	11/22/85	Ismail Amat, Chairman, Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region	C M	12-member Chinese Muslim pilgrimage delegation to Saudi Arabia; visits Riyadh, Mecca, and Medina; meets with religious leaders and Vice Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince 'Abd al-Rahman ibn 'Abd al-'Aziz	1504
					FBIS/China, 6 Dec 85, p.11	
Arabian Pen	Saudi Arabia	12/01/85	- - -	E C	Saudi Arabia reportedly financing building of mosque in Beijing	1558
					Defense & Foreign Affairs (Washington, DC), Dec 85, p.7	

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Arabian Pen	UAE	01/18/85	Hamed Mohammed Bu-Shehab, position unidentified	E	8-member trade delegation to Taiwan	1409
Arabian Pen	UAE	02/04/85	Hussan Abdulla al-Noma, First Vice President, Sharjah Chamber of Commerce and Industry	E	Asian Outlook (Taipei), Feb 85, p.56 16-member delegation to Taiwan to further economic and trade cooperation	1400
Arabian Pen	UAE	02/26/85	Rui Xingwen, Minister of Urban and Rural Construction	G E	Asian Outlook (Taipei), Mar 85, p.32 4-day visit to the UAE by the highest official since the establishment of diplomatic relations; discusses PLO and Iran-Iraq War	1277
Arabian Pen	UAE	03/09/85	Zhang Zhicheng, Coach, Unidentified youth soccer team	C	FBIS/China, 5 Mar 85, p.11 Sports delegation to UAE	1412
Arabian Pen	UAE	06/02/85	Zhao Ziyang, Premier	G	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13 Stopover visit en route to Western Europe	1366
Arabian Pen	UAE	11/13/85	Yao Yilin, Vice Premier	G E	FBIS/China, 3 Jun 85, p.G2 Official visit to UAE; signs first agreement on economic, technical, and trade cooperation since establishment of diplomatic relations in November 1984	1507
Arabian Pen	UAE	12/22/85	Wu Xueqian, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	FBIS/China, 14 Nov 85, p.11; FBIS/China, 15 Nov 85, p.11 2-day official visit to the UAE; second high-level Chinese official to visit since the establishment of diplomatic relations	1513

FBIS/China, 24 Dec 85, pp.11-4

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Arabian Pen	YAR	01/02/85	Li Menghua, Minister in Charge, State Physical Culture and Sports Commission	C	Sports delegation to YAR; signs 1985-86 sports exchange protocol	1252
Arabian Pen	YAR	03/05/85	Rui Xingwen, Minister of Urban and Rural Construction	E	FBIS/China, 8 Jan 85, pp.11-2 4-day economic delegation to YAR	1414
Arabian Pen	YAR	04/28/85	Hei Boli, Governor, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region	C E	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13 Cultural and economic Muslim delegation to YAR FBIS/China, 30 Apr 85, p.12	1328

LEVANT

Israel
Jordan
Lebanon (none for 1985)
Palestine Liberation Organization
Syria

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Levant	Israel	02/01/85	- - -	G M	Tass reports <u>Renmin Ribao</u> (Beijing) denial of opening of Israeli consulate in Hong Kong after signing of joint declaration on Hong Kong by Chinese and British Governments; Tass also mentions Israeli weapons shipped to China via Hong Kong	1273
					FBIS/USSR, 13 Feb 85, p.B2	
Levant	Israel	05/13/85	- - -	M	Broadcast on Voice of the PLO from Baghdad quotes Premier Zhao Ziyang categorically denying any arms deals between China and Israel and claiming that Israel is trying to tarnish PRC-Arab relations by spreading such rumors	1334
					FBIS/China, 14 May 85, p.I2	
Levant	Israel	06/19/85	Unidentified Israeli agricultural experts	E	Report that more than 60 Israeli companies are involved in agricultural, solar energy, and hotel and airport construction projects in China through the mediation of third countries; Chinese Government reportedly allows two farming experts to enter China on Israeli passports for the first time	1390
					Asian Wall Street Journal (Hong Kong), 19 Jun 85, p.17	
Levant	Israel	08/02/85	- - -	M E	<u>The New York Times</u> quotes Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing calling rumors of secret arms deals between China and Israel "entirely groundless;" cites earlier reports that Chinese are interested in Israeli technology for agriculture, solar energy, robotics, and road-building in addition to weapons	1395
					New York Times, 3 Aug 85, p.A3	
Levant	Israel	08/03/85	Shemeul Phorilis, Chief Scientist, Israeli Agriculture Ministry	E	Delegation reportedly visits China; first allowed to enter China holding Israeli passports	1445
					Jane's Defence Weekly (Horley, UK), 3 Aug 85, p.196	

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Levant	Jordan	01/02/85	Zhang Yi, Deputy Governor, Fujian Province	E	5-day economic delegation visit at invitation of United Trading Corporation (UTC) of Amman; UTC previously signed contracts to build two power generation projects in Fujian FBIS/China, 4 Jan 85, p.12	1251
Levant	Jordan	05/10/85	'Abd al-Wahhab al-Magali, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education	P	3-day visit to China as part of joint Jordanian-PLO delegation headed by Yasir Arafat FBIS/China, 10 May 85, p.11	1330
Levant	Jordan	09/14/85	Liu Houming, Vice Chairman, All-China Youth Federation	C	Youth delegation to Jordan Summary of World Broadcasts, 16 Sep 85, FE/8057/A4/1	1455
Levant	Jordan	10/18/85	Abd al-Ra'uf al-Rawabidah, Lord Mayor of Amman	G	Mayor visits China Summary of World Broadcasts, 1 Nov 85, FE/8097/A4/2	1531
Levant	Jordan	11/03/85	Qin Zhongda, Minister of Chemical Industries	E	1-week-long first meeting of Sino-Jordanian joint committee on economic, trade, and technical cooperation; signs summary of minutes of talks FBIS/China, 5 Nov 85, p.13	1487
Levant	Jordan	11/20/85	Lieutenant General Fathi Abu Talib, Chief of Staff, Jordanian Armed Forces	M	Military delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 26 Nov 85, FE/8118/A4/1	1532
Levant	Jordan	12/13/85	Wu Xueqian, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G M	3-day official visit to Jordan; first visit to Jordan by Chinese foreign minister since establishment of diplomatic relations in 1977; China voices support for international conference on Middle East under United Nations auspices; Wu meets with Jordanian Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Lieutenant General Zayd ibn Shakir FBIS/China, 16 Dec 85, pp.12-5	1517

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Levant	PLO	01/08/85	Xie Bangding, Chinese Ambassador to Tunisia	P	Meets with PLO leader Yasir Arafat in Tunis and congratulates him on the success of the 17th session of the Palestine National Council	1253
Levant	PLO	01/16/85	Lin Zhen, Charge d'Affaires ad Interim, YAR	E	FBIS/China, 10 Jan 85, p.II On behalf of Chinese Government, presents 1,000 tons of wheat, 500 tons of rice, 100 tons of canned beef, and 12,000 blankets to PLO	1259
Levant	PLO	04/25/85	Yang Fuchang, Chinese Ambassador to Kuwait	P	FBIS/China, 18 Jan 85, p.I2 Meets with Yasir Arafat in Kuwait	1326
Levant	PLO	04/30/85	Xie Bangding, Chinese Ambassador to Tunisia	P	FBIS/China, 26 Apr 85, p.II Meets with PLO leader Yasir Arafat in Tunis; Arafat expresses appreciation for recent symposium on Palestinian rights held in Beijing	1327
Levant	PLO	05/10/85	Yasir Arafat, Chairman, Executive Committee, PLO	P	FBIS/China, 1 May 85, p.I2 Joint Jordanian-PLO delegation to China; calls China visit the first act of a new Jordanian-PLO program	1331
Levant	PLO	05/13/85	Huang Shixie, Chinese Ambassador to Jordan	P	FBIS/China, 10 May 85, p.II Meets with Yasir Arafat upon his return to Jordan from China; Arafat calls his visit to China "very successful"	1335
Levant	PLO	12/23/85	Xie Bangding, Chinese Ambassador to Tunisia	P	FBIS/China, 14 May 85, p.I2 Meets with PLO Chairman Yasir Arafat FBIS/China, 27 Dec 85, p.II	1536

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Levant	Syria	12/16/85	Wu Xueqian, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	3-day visit to Syria; first visit by Chinese foreign minister to Syria in 20 years	1516

FBIS/China, 19 Dec 85, pp.11-2

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Bangladesh
India
Sri Lanka

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Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	01/10/85	Cao Qing, Representative, Chinese Ministry of Public Health	E	Signs agreement in Dhaka for cooperation between China and International Center for Diarrheal Disease Research in Dhaka; 34 Chinese trainees to attend courses at the center	1260
					FBIS/China, 16 Jan 85, p.F2	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	01/20/85	Unidentified head, Jiangxi Acrobatic Troupe	C	Cultural delegation to Bangladesh	1415
					China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jan 85, p.27	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	02/11/85	Ma Qingxiong, Vice Minister of Radio and Television	G	Government media delegation to Bangladesh	1416
					China Aktuell (Hamburg), Feb 85, p.19	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	02/26/85	Wan Guoqing, Council Member, Chinese Association for International Understanding and Member, Standing Committee, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference	O	14-day visit by 5-member goodwill delegation to Bangladesh	1275
					FBIS/China, 11 Mar 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	03/15/85	A. Majeed Khan, Minister of Planning and Member, Executive Board, UNESCO	G	Visits China	1314
					FBIS/China, 21 Mar 85, pp.F1-2	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	05/04/85	Major General M. Abdus Samad, Chief of General Staff, Bangladesh Army	M	Military delegation to China	1343
					FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	05/06/85	Unidentified Bangladeshi nuclear energy students	E	Attend 26-day international workshop in Beijing on nuclear analytical techniques jointly sponsored by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Chinese Government; first of its kind to be held in China	1342
					FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.A1	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	06/04/85	Huudha Milza, Writer	O	Attends 3-day international forum in Beijing on safeguarding world peace	1367
					FBIS/China, 6 Jun 85, pp.A1-2	
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	06/04/85	Wang Chengshu, Charge d'Affaires ad interim, Chinese Embassy in Bangladesh	E	China provides \$500,000 in relief aid following recent natural disasters in Bangladesh	1373
					FBIS/China, 13 Jun 85, p.F1	

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Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	06/27/85	A.T.M. Kamrul Islam, Vice President, Bangladesh-China Friendship Association	O	Friendship delegation to China FBIS/China, 28 Jun 85, p.F1	1377
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	07/04/85	Hussain Mohamed Ershad, President	G	6-day official goodwill visit to China; signs economic and technical accord whereby China will provide five boats free of charge as disaster relief, and fund construction of Buriganga River highway bridge FBIS/China, 5 Jul 85, pp.F1-4; FBIS/China 8 Jul 85, pp.F1-2	1382
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	08/26/85	Muazzam H. Jamil, Committee for the Understanding of China	O	Friendship delegation to China China Aktuell (Hamburg), Aug 85, p.575	1574
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	10/07/85	Unidentified Bangladeshi experts on nuclear medicine	E	Experts attend course in Beijing on nuclear medicine cosponsored by International Atomic Energy Agency and Chinese Government FBIS/China, 25 Oct 85, p.A8	1476
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	11/12/85	Unidentified head, trade exhibit delegation	E	Attends Asia-Pacific International Trade Fair in Beijing FBIS/China, 13 Nov 85, pp.A1-2	1506
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	12/13/85	Kazi Zafar Ahmed, Minister of Commerce	E	Trade delegation to China signs largest barter protocol ever signed between Bangladesh and another country FBIS/South Asia, 17 Dec 85, p.D1	1511
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	12/24/85	Wu Xueqian, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	3-day official visit to Bangladesh; first visit by a Chinese foreign minister to Bangladesh FBIS/China, 30 Dec 85, p.F2; FBIS/South Asia, 24 Dec 85, p.D1, 26 Dec 85, p.D1	1512
Sel S Asian	Bangladesh	12/26/85	Nie Kuiju, Commander, East China Sea Fleet, PLA Navy	M	Two Chinese ships pay 5-day naval visit to Chittagong FBIS/China, 27 Dec 85, p.F2; FBIS/China, 31 Dec 85, p.F1	1535

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Sel S Asian	India	01/16/85	Mother Teresa, Indian Nobel Peace Prize winner	C	Visit to Taiwan	1380
Sel S Asian	India	01/17/85	Unidentified head, Chinese National "B" Football Team	C	Asian Outlook (Taipei), Feb 85, p.54 Chinese sports delegation to India	1408
Sel S Asian	India	01/20/85	Mother Teresa, Indian Nobel Peace Prize winner	C	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jan 85, p.27 3-day visit to Beijing at invitation of Chinese Patriotic Catholic Association	1254
Sel S Asian	India	02/02/85	Li Hung-lieh, Director, Tibetan Affairs Department (Taiwan)	C	FBIS/China, 11 Jan 85, p.F1 Taiwan officials visit exiled Tibetans in India and Nepal	1279
Sel S Asian	India	02/10/85	Ma Qingxiong, Vice Minister of Radio and Television	O	FBIS/China, 27 Feb 85, p.VI Signs agreement on media cooperation	1333
Sel S Asian	India	03/02/85	Wang Yaoting, Chairman, China Council for the Promotion of International Trade	E	Asian Recorder (New Delhi), 9-15 Apr 85, p.18256 Trade delegation to India; signs agreement to promote economic and trade relations with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry including import and export, technology exchange, and joint ventures	1332
Sel S Asian	India	03/02/85	Unidentified head, Jiangxi Acrobatic Troupe	C	Asian Recorder (New Delhi), 9-15 Apr 85, pp.18255-18256 17-day visit to India	1407
Sel S Asian	India	03/03/85	Bishop K.H. Ting, Head, Chinese Christian delegation	C	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13 16-day visit to India by 11-member Christian delegation; first such delegation to visit India since 1949	1278
Sel S Asian	India	03/17/85	Chen Zhongjiang, President, Institute of Contemporary International Relations	C	FBIS/China, 6 Mar 85, p.F1 Chinese scholars visit India at invitation of Indian Council for Cultural Relations	1315
Sel S Asian	India	04/01/85	- - -	E	FBIS/China, 21 Mar 85, p.F2 Border trade is resumed between India and Arunachal Pradesh, Xizang Autonomous Region after being suspended since 1962	1306

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Sel S Asian	India	04/01/85	Gao Qinglan, widow of Dr. Kotnis	C	Visit to India	1521
Sel S Asian	India	04/03/85	D.B. Thengadi, Founder, Indian Labour Association	O	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Apr 85, p.256 First delegation from the second largest Indian trade union to China	1317
Sel S Asian	India	04/05/85	- - -	C	FBIS/China, 8 Apr 85, p.F1 Photography exhibition on the 1938-45 Indian medical mission to China opens in New Delhi	1316
Sel S Asian	India	04/05/85	Ram Dass Menon, Member, Central Committee, Communist Party of India (Marxist)	P	FBIS/China, 8 Apr 85, p.F1 Goodwill visit by party delegation to China	1320
Sel S Asian	India	04/11/85	Yang Zhiguang, Head, Painting Department, Guangzhou Fine Arts Academy	C	FBIS/China, 17 Apr 85, p.F2 Art delegation to India	1522
Sel S Asian	India	05/06/85	Unidentified Indian nuclear energy students	E	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Apr 85, p.265 Attend 26-day international workshop in Beijing on nuclear analytical techniques jointly sponsored by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Chinese Government; first of its kind to be held in China	1340
Sel S Asian	India	05/10/85	Velikkakath Sankaran Achuthanandan, Member, Central Committee, Communist Party of India (Marxist) and Secretary, Kerala State Committee	P	FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.A1 Party delegation to China; expresses satisfaction with development of relations since their resumption in 1983	1344
Sel S Asian	India	05/17/85	G.K. Brar, Vice Chairman, Council for Children's Welfare	C	FBIS/China, 16 May 85, p.F1 Women's delegation to China	1520
Sel S Asian	India	05/26/85	T.N. Chaturvedi, Indian Auditor-General	E	China Aktuell (Hamburg), May 85, p.326 Visit to China	1361
Sel S Asian	India	06/04/85	Baharu Islam, Member of Parliament	O	FBIS/China, 29 May 85, p.F3 Attends 3-day international forum in Beijing on safeguarding world peace	1363

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Sel S Asian	India	06/10/85	Unidentified head, delegation from Association of Indian Parliamentarians on Population and Development	O	Delegation to China FBIS/China, 13 Jun 85, p.F1	1374
Sel S Asian	India	06/24/85	Chaturanan Mishra, Chairman, All-India Trade Union Congress	O	Trade union delegation to China FBIS/China, 26 Jun 85, p.F1	1376
Sel S Asian	India	07/09/85	Bhakti Bhusan Mondal, President, India-China Friendship Association	O	Friendship delegation to China FBIS/China, 11 Jul 85, p.F1	1423
Sel S Asian	India	07/24/85	- - -	G M	Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman denies Indian press allegations that China is cooperating with Pakistan to capture the Saichin glacial area by such actions as sending Chinese fighter planes to invade India's airspace; China does not know why India is fabricating these reports at a time when both sides are working to improve relations	1426
Sel S Asian	India	07/26/85	Mamata Shantar, Choreographer	C	FBIS/China, 24 Jul 85, p.A1 Ballet troupe visits China China Aktuell (Hamburg), Aug 85, p.575	1573
Sel S Asian	India	08/02/85	Unidentified Indian historians	C	Indian scholars attended international symposium in Urumqi on the Silk Road cities of Dunhuang and Turpan	1432
Sel S Asian	India	08/03/85	Unidentified Indian renewable energy experts	E	FBIS/China, 13 Aug 85, pp.A1-2 Indian scientists attend international exhibition in Beijing on solar and wind energy	1436
Sel S Asian	India	08/04/85	Shrikant Verma, General Secretary, Indian National Congress-I Party	P	FBIS/China, 5 Aug 85, pp.A2-3 Party delegation to China FBIS/China, 5 Aug 85, p.F2	1430
Sel S Asian	India	08/05/85	Li Dongye, Minister of Metallurgical Industry	E	2-week visit to India to explore cooperation in metallurgical industry FBIS/China, 8 Aug 85, p.F1	1431
Sel S Asian	India	08/31/85	V.B. Gupta, Chairman, All-India Newspaper Editors Conference	52 O	Journalists' delegation to China FBIS/China, 5 Sep 85, p.F1	1442

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Sel S Asian	India	10/07/85	Unidentified Indian experts in nuclear medicine	E	Experts attend course on nuclear medicine cosponsored by International Atomic Energy Agency and Chinese Government held in Beijing	1471
					FBIS/China, 25 Oct 85, p.A8	
Sel S Asian	India	10/19/85	Dr. Teja, Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs	G	Visit to China to discuss Sino-Indian relations and the Indian Embassy property question	1472
					FBIS/China, 22 Oct 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	India	10/19/85	Dr. Bijoy Kumar Basu, President of All-India Dr. D.S. Kotnis Memorial Committee	C	Receives medical treatment at Beijing Union Medical College Hospital at invitation of Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries; CCP General Secretary Hu Yaobang visits him in the hospital	1473
					FBIS/China, 22 Oct 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	India	10/30/85	- - -	M	Taiwan Government denies involvement in espionage connected with Rama Swaroop, an Indian who worked for a Taiwan trade promotion office in New Delhi and who is charged with spying for the Federal Republic of Germany, Israel, and Taiwan	1483
					FBIS/China, 30 Oct 85, p.VI	
Sel S Asian	India	11/04/85	Liu Shuqing, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	10-member government delegation to New Delhi to take part in sixth round of border negotiations as well as talks on science and technology and cultural exchanges, but not including trade issues; official talks followed by informal talks at beach resort at Goa; agreement reached on sale of property for Indian Embassy in Beijing	1470
					FBIS/South Asia, 5-12 Nov 85, p.E1	
Sel S Asian	India	11/12/85	Unidentified head, Indian trade exhibit delegation	E	Indian delegation attends Asia-Pacific International Trade Fair in Beijing	1495
					FBIS/China, 13 Nov 85, pp.A1-2	
Sel S Asian	India	11/15/85	Wu Yigong, General Manager, Shanghai General Film Corporation	C	Film delegation to India for Chinese film week in New Delhi; Indian film week to be held in China in 1986	1496
					FBIS/China , 23 Nov 85, p.F3	
Sel S Asian	India	11/23/85	Lu Xuejian, Vice Minister for Foreign Economic Relations and Trade	E	1-week visit by trade delegation to India; signs trade protocol to increase trade volume from \$100 to 160 million in 1986; China will import ores,	1491

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
					equipment, chemicals, and machinery in exchange for silk, spices, and paper	
					FBIS/South Asia, 25 Nov 85, p.E1; FBIS/China, 25 Nov 85, p.F2	
Sel S Asian	India	11/30/85	Shiv Shankar, Member, Rajya Sabha; former Minister of Petroleum and Energy	O	Visit to China at invitation of Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs	1494
					FBIS/China, 2 Dec 85, p.F3	
Sel S Asian	India	12/26/85	Qian Liren, Member, CCP Central Committee, and Director, Renmin Ribao	P	5-member party delegation to attend 100th anniversary celebrations of founding of Indian National Congress (I) in Bombay; meets to discuss establishing party ties; also holds talks with Indian Communist Party (CPI) and the Communist Party of India (Marxist)	1534
					FBIS/China, 26 Dec 85, p.F3; FBIS/China, 2 Jan 86, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	India	12/29/85	Lu Jiaxi, President, Chinese Academy of Sciences	E	Delegation to India to discuss scientific exchanges	1540
					FBIS/China, 6 Jan 86, p.F1	

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	01/06/85	Unidentified Chinese medical scientists	E	Conduct 45-day training course in veterinary acupuncture in Colombo	1544
					FBIS/China, 8 Jan 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	01/23/85	Wu Xueqian, State Councillor and Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	3-day visit to Sri Lanka for talks on issues of common interest and on promoting understanding and bilateral relations	1545
					FBIS/China, 28 Jan 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	02/16/85	Unidentified Chinese trade officials	E	Chinese export commodities exhibition opens in Colombo; third of its kind in Colombo; volume of bilateral trade over \$53 million in 1983 and even greater in 1984	1546
					FBIS/China, 25 Feb 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	03/07/85	Lakshman de Mel, Secretary of Ministry of Trade and Shipping	E	Rice-purchasing delegation in China for negotiations with China National Cereals, Oils, and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation	1547
					FBIS/China, 8 Mar 85, p.F2	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	03/23/85	Edwin Lok Bandara Hurulle, Minister of Culture	C	Cultural delegation to China signs cultural cooperation agreement for 1984-1985	1548
					FBIS/China, 26 Mar 85, p.F2	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	05/21/85	Gamini Epa, Auditor	E	Auditing delegation to China to discuss cooperation	1549
					FBIS/China, 29 May 85, p.F3	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	06/25/85	Sina Pasupathie, Attorney General	G	Visit to China	1550
					FBIS/China, 26 Jun 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	07/14/85	Lieutenant General Tissa Idraka Weeratunge, Commander for Joint Operations	M	Military delegation to China	1551
					FBIS/China, 16 Jul 85, p.F1	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	07/24/85	W. Mauimaratchi, poet	C	Delegation of poets visits China	1571
					China Aktuell (Hamburg), Aug 85, p.576	
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	09/21/85	W. Rasaputram, Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka	E	Visit to China to learn more about China's economic development and the Shenzhen Economic Zone in particular	1552
					FBIS/China, 27 Sep 85, p.F1	

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	09/26/85	Harsha Abeywardena, Chairman, United National Party	P	Party delegation to China to discuss relations with CCP	1553
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	09/30/85	- - -	C	FBIS/China, 30 Sep 85, pp.F2-3 Chinese photographic exhibition and arts and crafts show in Colombo to celebrate China's National Day	1554
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	11/28/85	Lu Xuejian, Vice Minister of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade	E	FBIS/China, 1 Oct 85, p.F1 Economic delegation to attend first session of China-Sri Lanka Joint Committee for Economic and Trade Cooperation; committee set up during Sri Lankan President Junius Jayewardene's May 1984 trip to China; signs minutes of talks to expand trade and economic cooperation	1555
Sel S Asian	Sri Lanka	12/18/85	Nie Kuiju, Commander, East China Sea Fleet, PLA Navy	M	FBIS/China, 3 Dec 85, p.F1 Two Chinese PLA Navy ships pay 5-day goodwill port call to Sri Lanka and have extensive contacts with Sri Lankan Navy	1556
					FBIS/China, 23 Dec 85, p.F1	

SOUTHWEST ASIA

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Pakistan
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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Afghanistan	02/02/85	- - -	P M	Afghanistan delivers protest note to Chinese charge d'affaires in Kabul complaining of Chinese military support (weapons and training) for rebels and demanding an end to Chinese interference in internal affairs of Afghanistan New York Times, 3 Feb 85, p.A9	1267
SW Asia	Afghanistan	02/07/85	- - -	P M	China refuses comment on Afghanistan's charge that China is arming and training Mujahideen fighters, saying "This is a kind of vilification which is not worth rebutting."	1271
SW Asia	Afghanistan	05/01/85	- - -	P M	Christian Science Monitor (Boston), 7 Feb 85, p.2 Report that "Chinese support for the Afghan resistance is no secret," including at least three training centers in Xinjiang where Afghans are trained in use of various guns and mines; also mentions possibility that an Afghan government-in-exile seeking international recognition could emerge in China Intelligence Digest (Cheltenham, UK), 1 May 85, pp.3-4	1347
SW Asia	Afghanistan	08/17/85	- - -	M	Jane's Defence Weekly (Horley, UK) reports that the National Islamic Front of Afghanistan is deploying Chinese 107mm high explosive rockets against the Soviet and Afghan armies Jane's Defence Weekly (Horley, UK), 17 Aug 85, p.295	1449
SW Asia	Afghanistan	09/29/85	- - -	E	Red Cross Society of China donates \$20,000 of relief goods to Afghan refugees; includes medicine, surgical instruments, towels, stationery, and cotton blankets FBIS/China, 30 Sep 85, p.F1	1465
SW Asia	Afghanistan	10/31/85	Unidentified Chinese nationals	M	Broadcast from Kabul reports that four Chinese nationals were taken prisoner on Pakistani territory by a counterrevolutionary group in Zabol Province; DRA security organs rescued them and turned them over to the Chinese Embassy in Kabul, which reportedly expressed gratitude for the DRA's humanitarian approach FBIS/South Asia, 1 Nov 85, p.C1	1462

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Afghanistan	11/11/85	Yang Chengwu, Vice Chairman, National Committee, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference	O E	Parliamentary delegation visiting Pakistan tours Afghan refugee camp at Peshawar; delivers \$100,000 of relief goods	1508
					FBIS/China, 12 Nov 85, pp.F2-3	

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Iran	02/26/85	Zhang Jingfu, State Councillor	G E	8-day government economic visit to Iran; signs protocol to set up joint ministerial committee on economy, trade, science and technology and outline of agreement on talks between Chinese and Iranian Government economic delegations	1274
					FBIS/China, 28 Feb 85, p.11; FBIS/China, 6 Mar 85, p.11	
SW Asia	Iran	04/01/85	- - -	M	Report in pro-Iraq newspaper <u>al-Taghrir</u> (London) that Iran signed \$1.6 billion arms deal with China during State Councillor Zhang Jingfu's visit in March 1985; deal reportedly includes 12 SHENYANG F-6 fighter planes and 200 T-59 tanks	1303
					Defense & Foreign Affairs Daily (Washington, DC), 1 Apr 85, p.1	
SW Asia	Iran	04/15/85	Governor Nurbaksh, Central Bank of Iran	E	Banking delegation to China	1324
					FBIS/China, 19 Apr 85, p.11	
SW Asia	Iran	06/26/85	'Ali Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani, Speaker, Iranian Majlis (Parliament) and Imam Khomeyni's representative, Supreme Defense Council	G	4-day official visit to China; welcomed by 19-gun salute; first China visit by Iranian leader since Iranian Revolution; signs 1986-1987 executive plan for cultural cooperation	1375
					FBIS/China, 27 Jun 85, p.11; FBIS/China, 1 Jul 85, pp.11-3	
SW Asia	Iran	07/31/85	Mohamad Hashemi, President, Radio and Television Organization of Iran	O	Media delegation to China	1435
					FBIS/China, 1 Aug 85, p.11	
SW Asia	Iran	09/05/85	Fan Zuokai, Chinese Ambassador to Iran	E	Chinese Ambassador to Iran speaks at opening ceremony for Chinese pavilion at 11th Tehran International Trade Fair; Sino-Iranian trade volume in 1984 totalled \$200 million; cooperation in dam construction and power stations under consideration	1446
					FBIS/China, 6 Sep 85, p.13	
SW Asia	Iran	09/11/85	Unidentified captain, Chinese cargo ship Jinjiang, Guangzhou Ocean Company	M	Chinese cargo ship carrying corn for Iraq to be delivered via Kuwait intercepted and seized by Iranian Navy on international route in Strait of Hormuz; first time a Chinese ship has been forced into an Iranian port; according to a later report, ship is released on 13 September	1450

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Iran	09/12/85	Abdol Qasim Jamshidi, Vice Minister of Industries	E	FBIS/China, 12 Sep 85, p.11; Summary of World Broadcasts, 16 Sep 85, FE/8057/A4/1 Economic delegation to China	1458
SW Asia	Iran	10/25/85	- - -	M	FBIS/China, 24 Sep 85, p.11 Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman denies allegation by US Senator Alan Cranston that China is involved in nuclear cooperation with Iran	1463
SW Asia	Iran	10/27/85	- - -	M	China Daily (Beijing), 25 Oct 85, p.1 Chinese Foreign Ministry and Iranian Embassy in Beijing deny negotiating sale of SCUD 1A and 1B surface-to-surface missiles from China to Iran; previous unnamed "highly reliable" source claimed such talks were held both before and after Iranian parliamentary visit to China in June 1985	1486
SW Asia	Iran	11/11/85	Hoseyn Kamali, Member, Central Council of the Workers' House and Workers' Representative in Parliament	O	FBIS/China, 28 Oct 85, p.11 Trade union delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 19 Nov 85, FE/8112/A4/2	1533

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Iraq	01/13/85	Li Menghua, Minister, State Physical Culture and Sports Commission	C	Sports delegation to Iraq; signs sports exchange program FBIS/China, 16 Jun 85, p.12; FBIS/China, 24 Jan 85, p.12	1257
SW Asia	Iraq	03/12/85	Liu Shi, Secretary, All-China Federation of Trade Unions	O	1-week trade union delegation to Iraq FBIS/China, 20 Mar 85, pp.11-2	1283
SW Asia	Iraq	03/13/85	Zhang Enshu, General Manager, State Construction Engineering Corporation	E	Construction delegation to Iraq China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13	1411
SW Asia	Iraq	03/14/85	Rui Xingwen, Minister of Urban and Rural Construction	E	6-day visit to Iraq; attends foundation-laying ceremony for Hindiya Barrage hydroelectric project FBIS/China, 20 Mar 85, p.12	1284
SW Asia	Iraq	04/04/85	Tariq Mikhayl 'Aziz, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister	G	Visits China with Arab League delegation to discuss Iran-Iraq War FBIS/China, 4 Apr 85, p.11	1309
SW Asia	Iraq	05/04/85	Mahmud 'Abd al-Wahhab, Minister of Irrigation	E	Delegation to China to discuss contracts for engineering projects in Iraq and other forms of cooperation FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.11	1337
SW Asia	Iraq	05/04/85	Unidentified head, Chinese table tennis team	C	Sports delegation to Iraq China Aktuell (Hamburg), May 85, p.324	1525
SW Asia	Iraq	05/06/85	Unidentified nuclear energy students	E	Attend 26-day international workshop in Beijing on nuclear analytical techniques jointly sponsored by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Chinese Government; first of its kind to be held in China FBIS/China, 7 May 85, p.11	1341
SW Asia	Iraq	05/15/85	Nuri Paysal Shahir, Minister of Youth	C	Youth delegation to China Summary of World Broadcasts, 21 May 85, FE/7956/A4/1	1394
SW Asia	Iraq	05/31/85	Deputy Minister for Higher Education and Scientific Research	C 62	Cultural cooperation executive plan for 1985-87 signed in Beijing	1393

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Iraq	06/11/85	- - -	E	Summary of World Broadcasts, 21 May 85, FE/7956/A4/1 China Civil Engineering and Construction Corporation wins joint contract with Brazilian company to build \$1.4 billion hydroelectric project on Zab River in Iraq	1368
					Asian Wall Street Journal (Hong Kong), 11 Jun 85, p.3	
SW Asia	Iraq	06/27/85	Qian Liren, Director, International Liaison Department, CCP Central Committee	P	5-day party delegation visit to Iraq FBIS/China, 2 Jul 85, p.12	1383
SW Asia	Iraq	08/13/85	- - -	E	Contract signed for Chinese corporation to construct Dibis Dam project, part of huge Saddam irrigation project FBIS/China, 14 Aug 85, p.11	1440
SW Asia	Iraq	11/14/85	Unidentified head, Chinese oil-well-drilling team	E	56-member Chinese drilling team under contract in Iraq completes third oil well in Zubayr oil field; Iraq requests another team and 1-year extension of contract Summary of World Broadcasts, 26 Nov 85, ME/WL366/A1/6	1561
SW Asia	Iraq	12/09/85	Hudel al-Rahim Hudel, Vice Minister of Irrigation	E	Delegation to China to exchange views on cooperation with Ministry of Water Resources and Electric Power FBIS/China, 10 Dec 85, p.12	1510
SW Asia	Iraq	12/10/85	Wu Xueqian, Minister of Foreign Affairs	G	3-day visit to Iraq; first visit to Iraq by a Chinese Foreign Minister; holds talks on bilateral and international issues FBIS/China, 11 Dec 85, p.11; FBIS/China, 17 Dec 85, pp.11-2	1518
SW Asia	Iraq	12/21/85	Qian Yongchang, Minister of Communications	E	Delegation to attend third session of Joint China-Iraq Committee for Trade, Economic, and Technical Cooperation; signs minutes agreeing to trade, construction cooperation, and training medical experts FBIS/China, 27 Dec 85, p.11	1537

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Pakistan	02/09/85	Lei Jieqiong, Vice President, All-China Women's Federation	C	Women's delegation to Pakistan	1418
SW Asia	Pakistan	03/31/85	Wu Weishun (possibly Hu Weixing), Deputy Chief of Staff, PLA Navy	M	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13 Naval delegation to Pakistan	1417
SW Asia	Pakistan	04/08/85	Wang Wei, Minister in Charge, State Family Planning Commission	E	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Mar 85, p.13 1-week visit by family planning delegation to Pakistan; signs cooperation accord	1313
SW Asia	Pakistan	04/12/85	Hei Boli, Governor, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region	C	FBIS/China, 9 Apr 85, p.F1; FBIS/China, 17 Apr 85, p.F2 8-day visit by Chinese Muslim delegation to Pakistan	1318
SW Asia	Pakistan	04/14/85	Rear Admiral Rasnim	M	FBIS/China, 17 Apr 85, p.F2 Pakistani National Defense College delegation to China	1319
SW Asia	Pakistan	06/27/85	Zhang Aiping, State Councillor and Minister of National Defense	M	FBIS/China, 17 Apr 85, pp.F1-2 8-day military delegation to Pakistan; visits military installations in Lahore and Karachi	1378
SW Asia	Pakistan	06/30/85	Mohammed Khan, writer	C	FBIS/China, 28 Jun 85, p.F1 Visits China under cultural exchange program	1572
SW Asia	Pakistan	07/17/85	Mameti Karshi, representative, Chinese Muslim pilgrims	C	China Aktuell (Hamburg), Jul 85, p.475 President Ziaul Haq welcomes Chinese Muslim pilgrims on their way to Mecca	1402
SW Asia	Pakistan	07/24/85	- - -	E C	FBIS/China, 19 Jul 85, p.F1 Pakistan donates 200,000 yuan to Beijing Great Wall Restoration Committee; Pakistan will be first foreign country to have a monument at the Wall in honor of its donation	1404
SW Asia	Pakistan	09/08/85	Mohammad Habibulla Ma Zuling, Vice Chairman, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference of Gansu Province	C	China Daily (Beijing), 24 Jul 85, p.3 12-day visit to Pakistan by five-member Chinese Muslim delegation on way home from Saudi Arabia	1447
					FBIS/China, 9 Sep 85, p.F1	

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Pakistan	09/27/85	Unidentified head, Pakistani Government delegation	G	Government delegation to China to attend the 30th anniversary celebrations of the founding of the Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region FBIS/China, 28 Sep 85, p.F2	1466
SW Asia	Pakistan	10/07/85	Unidentified Pakistani experts on nuclear medicine	E	Experts attend course in Beijing on nuclear medicine cosponsored by International Atomic Energy Agency and Chinese Government FBIS/China, 25 Oct 85, p.A8	1457
SW Asia	Pakistan	10/14/85	Bashir Ahmed Bakhtiar, President, All-Pakistan Federation of Trade Unions	O	Trade union delegation to China FBIS/China, 30 Oct 85, p.F2	1482
SW Asia	Pakistan	10/20/85	Liu Haiqing, Commander, Xinjiang Military District	M	Military delegation to Pakistan FBIS/China, 22 Oct 85, p.F1	1477
SW Asia	Pakistan	10/21/85	- - -	M	Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman denies allegations that Pakistan will conduct an atomic bomb test in China China Daily (Beijing), 21 Oct 85, p.1	1464
SW Asia	Pakistan	11/08/85	Unidentified child-development experts	C	Attend 1-week international symposium on child development sponsored by All-China Women's Federation's Child Development Center of China China Daily (Beijing), 8 Nov 85, p.3	1481
SW Asia	Pakistan	11/12/85	Unidentified head, trade exhibit delegation	E	Attends Asia-Pacific International Trade Fair in Beijing FBIS/China, 13 Nov 85, pp.A1-2	1499
SW Asia	Pakistan	11/13/85	Yang Chengwu, Vice Chairman, National Committee, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference	O	18-member parliamentary delegation to Pakistan FBIS/South Asia, 15 Nov 85, p.F1; FBIS/China, 8 Nov 85, p.F1	1493
SW Asia	Pakistan	11/13/85	Syed Ghulam Ahmed, Joint Secretary, Pakistani Ministry of Commerce	E	Trade delegation to China signs 1985 border trade agreement increasing trade volume from 4.5 to 5 million rupees; highway to be built linking the Khunjerab Pass in the Pamirs with Kashi, Xinjiang FBIS/China, 20 Nov 85, p.F2	1498

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Pakistan	11/17/85	Mohammad Khan Junejo, Prime Minister	G	1-week visit to China; first official visit since assuming office	1492
SW Asia	Pakistan	12/08/85	Nie Kuiju, Commander, East M China Sea Fleet, PLA Navy	M	FBIS/South Asia, 18 Nov 85, pp.F3-4 1-week goodwill visit to Pakistan by two Chinese ships; first PLA naval visit to a foreign country since 1949; includes visits to Karachi and Islamabad	1497
SW Asia	Pakistan	12/12/85	Ismail Maikeshuti, Mayor, Urumqi City	G	FBIS/China, 9 Dec 85, p.F1 15-day friendly visit at invitation of sister city Peshawar	1528
					FBIS/China, 24 Dec 85, p.F1	

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Turkey	02/20/85	Wu Chunde, Deputy Director, Bureau of External Relations, Ministry of Culture	C	Signs cultural exchange program for 1985-87 in Ankara FBIS/China, 22 Feb 85, p.G1	1272
SW Asia	Turkey	03/05/85	Zhang Jingfu, State Councillor	E	6-day visit by economic delegation to Turkey; holds third meeting of Chinese-Turkish joint economic and trade committee; agrees to increase trade volume to \$100 million FBIS/China, 6 Mar 85, pp.G2-3; FBIS/China, 8 Mar 85, pp.G1-2	1276
SW Asia	Turkey	04/20/85	Han Zheyi, Member, National People's Congress Standing Committee	O	Parliamentarian's visit to Turkey China Aktuell (Hamburg), Apr 85, p.265	1523
SW Asia	Turkey	04/25/85	Zhang Zhixiang, Vice President, Association for International Understanding of China	O	Friendship delegation to Turkey to learn about Turkish management of factories, enterprises, and cities FBIS/China, 26 Apr 85, p.A6 FBIS/China, 13 May 85, p.G3	1325
SW Asia	Turkey	04/29/85	Vural Arikan, Member, National Assembly of Turkey	O	Parliamentarian's visit to Taiwan Asian Outlook (Taipei), May 1985, p.44	1448
SW Asia	Turkey	06/02/85	Lin Jiamei, wife of Li Xiannian, President of China	C	10-day visit by women's delegation to Turkey FBIS/China, 5 Jun 85, p.G8	1364
SW Asia	Turkey	06/03/85	Husamettin Celebi, Director General, Anadolu Ajansi	O	Media delegation to China; signs cooperation agreement with Xinhua FBIS/China, 5 Jun 85, p.G8	1365
SW Asia	Turkey	06/27/85	Ismail Amat, Chairman, People's Government, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region	G	Goodwill delegation to Turkey at invitation of Governor of Ankara Province FBIS/China, 28 Jun 85, p.G2	1379
SW Asia	Turkey	06/30/85	Turgut Ozal, Prime Minister	G E	6-day official visit to China; first visit by Turkish Prime Minister since establishment of diplomatic relations in 1971; 1985 China-Turkey trade expected to total \$100 million; signs minutes of talks FBIS/China, 1 Jul 85, pp.G1-2; FBIS/China, 9 Jul 85, pp.G1-2	1381

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REGION	COUNTRY	DATE	NAME/POSITION	CATEGORY	EVENT	NUMBER
SW Asia	Turkey	07/27/85	- - -	G	China opens consulate general in Istanbul	1441
					Summary of World Broadcasts, 3 Aug 85, FE/8020/A4/1	
SW Asia	Turkey	09/12/85	- - -	E	First of three tankers of Chinese crude oil arrives in Turkey; China will provide over 503,000 tons of oil to Turkey in 1985 as part of a Sino-Turkish trade agreement concluded during Premier Ozal's visit to China in June 1985	1452
					FBIS/China, 13 Sep 85, p.G3	
SW Asia	Turkey	10/08/85	Necmettin Karaduman, Speaker, Turkish Grand National Assembly	O	8-day visit to China by parliamentary delegation at invitation of NPC	1467
					FBIS/China, 9 Oct 85, pp.G2-3; FBIS/China, 17 Oct 85, p.G3	
SW Asia	Turkey	10/10/85	Kaya Erdem, Deputy Prime Minister	G E	Government delegation to China to discuss economic and trade relations	1468
					FBIS/China, 11 Oct 85, p.G1	
SW Asia	Turkey	10/18/85	Yang Dezhi, Chief of General Staff, PLA	M	1-week visit by seven-member military delegation to Turkey	1474
					FBIS/China, 22 Oct 85, pp.G2-3	
SW Asia	Turkey	10/26/85	Kemal Baytas, President, Turkish Promotion Foundation	E	Visit to China	1480
					FBIS/China, 31 Oct 85, p.G3	
SW Asia	Turkey	12/13/85	Yu Liguang, Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade	E	Chinese study group to Turkey	1519
					FBIS/China, 16 Dec 85, p.G1	

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

This section includes six summaries, by area and country, of the numbers and types of delegations exchanged between China or Taiwan and the countries or organizations in the Middle East/West Asia region.

The totals are based on the categorization of each delegation as either government (G), economic (E), military (M), political (P), cultural (C), or other (O). The last category includes parliamentary groups, trade union officials, journalists, friendship delegations, and groups which cannot be clearly categorized. When a delegation has a dual purpose, such as military-political, it is included under both the military and political category columns but counted only once in the total. In the time period covered by this study (1 January - 31 December 1985), there were 30 dual-purpose delegations. An example of a dual-purpose delegation is a government delegation visit during which an economic agreement is signed, considered both government (G) and economic (E).

A seventh table combines the statistics for each of the six areas under consideration and presents a summary for the entire Middle East/West Asia region.

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Delegations to and from the PRC and Taiwan, 1 January - 31 December 1985

Country	To PRC				To Taiwan			
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total
Djibouti	0	-	0	-	0	0	0	-
Ethiopia	3	-	3	-	1	0	0	-
Kenya	2	-	0	-	0	2	0	-
Somalia	1	-	0	-	1	0	0	-
Sudan	1	-	0	-	1	0	0	-
Subtotal	7	-	3	-	3	2	0	-

	From PRC				From Taiwan			
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total
Djibouti	1	0	1	-	0	0	-	-
Ethiopia	4	0	3	-	1	0	-	-
Kenya	3	0	2	-	0	1	-	-
Somalia	5	1	3	-	1	0	-	-
Sudan	4	0	3	-	0	1	-	-
Subtotal	17	1	12	-	2	2	-	-

	To and From PRC				To and From Taiwan			
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total
Djibouti	1	0	1	-	0	0	-	-
Ethiopia	7	0	6	-	2	0	-	-
Kenya	5	0	2	-	0	3	-	-
Somalia	6	1	3	-	2	0	-	-
Sudan	5	0	3	-	1	1	-	-
Total	24	1	15	-	5	4	-	-

STATISTICAL SUMMARY--AFRICA-NORTH

Delegations to and from the PRC and Taiwan, 1 January - 31 December 1985

Country	To PRC					To Taiwan								
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other
Algeria	7	0	1	1	0	4	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Egypt	11	0	6	0	0	3	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Libya	4	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	4	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	28	2	8	1	2	12	5	1	-	1	-	-	-	-

Country	From PRC					From Taiwan								
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other
Algeria	3	2	3	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Egypt	6	2	2	2	-	1	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Libya	1	1	1	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	4	1	2	0	-	1	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	6	1	5	0	-	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	20	7	13	2	-	3	2	0	-	-	-	-	-	-

Country	To and From PRC					To and From Taiwan								
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other
Algeria	10	2	4	1	0	4	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Egypt	18	2	9	2	0	4	4	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Libya	5	3	1	0	0	2	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	6	1	3	0	1	1	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	10	1	5	0	1	4	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	49	9	22	3	2	15	7	1	-	1	-	-	-	-

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY--LEVANT

Delegations to and from the PRC and Taiwan, 1 January - 31 December 1985

Country	To PRC				To Taiwan			
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil
Israel	5	1	3	3	0	-	-	-
Jordan	3	1	0	1	0	-	-	-
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-
PLO	1	0	0	0	0	-	-	-
Syria	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-
Subtotal	9	2	3	4	0	-	-	-

	From PRC				From Taiwan			
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil
Israel	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-
Jordan	4	1	2	1	0	-	-	-
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-
PLO	6	0	1	0	0	-	-	-
Syria	1	1	0	0	0	-	-	-
Subtotal	11	2	3	1	0	-	-	-

	To and From PRC				To and From Taiwan			
	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil
Israel	5	1	3	3	0	-	-	-
Jordan	7	2	2	2	0	-	-	-
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-
PLO	7	0	1	0	0	-	-	-
Syria	1	1	0	0	0	-	-	-
Total	20	4	6	5	0	-	-	-

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY--REGIONAL TOTALS

Delegations to and from the PRC and Taiwan, 1 January - 31 December 1985

Region	Total	To PRC				To Taiwan								
		Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other
Africa-Horn	7	0	3	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	-
Africa-North Arabian	28	2	8	1	2	12	5	1	0	1	0	-	0	-
Peninsula	12	1	6	0	1	3	2	10	1	3	2	-	3	1
Levant	9	2	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	-
Selected South Asian Countries	40	4	13	2	4	7	10	2	0	0	1	-	1	-
Southwest Asia	28	6	12	3	2	5	5	1	0	0	0	-	0	1
Subtotal	124	15	45	10	14	29	22	14	1	4	3	-	4	2

Region	Total	From PRC				From Taiwan								
		Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other	Total	Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol	Cul	Other
Africa-Horn	17	1	12	0	2	2	0	0	-	0	-	-	0	-
Africa-North Arabian	20	7	13	2	0	3	2	0	-	0	-	-	0	-
Peninsula	23	7	11	1	0	9	1	1	-	1	-	-	0	-
Levant	11	2	3	1	5	1	0	0	-	0	-	-	0	-
Selected South Asian Countries	29	5	9	3	1	10	2	1	-	0	-	-	1	-
Southwest Asia	44	5	15	13	2	8	5	0	-	0	-	-	0	-
Subtotal	144	27	63	20	10	33	10	2	-	1	-	-	1	-

STATISTICAL SUMMARY--REGIONAL TOTALS (continued)

Delegations to and from the PRC and Taiwan, 1 January - 31 December 1985

Region	Total	To and From PRC				Cul	Other	Total	To and From Taiwan				Cul	Other
		Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol				Govt	Econ	Mil	Pol		
Africa-Horn	24	1	15	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Africa-North Arabian	49	9	21	3	2	15	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Peninsula	35	8	17	1	1	12	3	11	1	4	2	0	3	1
Levant	20	4	6	5	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Selected South Asian Coun-tries	69	9	22	5	5	17	12	3	0	0	1	0	2	0
Southwest Asia	72	11	27	16	4	13	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	269	42	108	30	24	62	32	16	1	5	3	0	5	2

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